

Baptists Salute National Hospital

By Gordon Shamburger, Chaplain
Mississippi Baptist Hospital

May 13-17 has been designated as National Hospital Week in America.

Jackson along with other cities and towns in Mississippi join hands, hearts and minds in expressing appreciation and thanksgiving to God for all who have contributed to the beginning, growth, and future planning for our fine hospitals both public and private.

As Baptists, Mississippians can

be truly grateful, specifically for the wonderful Mississippi Baptist Hospital that is located in Jackson.

This institution not only cares for more than 400 patients daily but it also serves the community with many other kindred services.

There are five schools of specialized training operated by Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

They are:

Gilfoy School of Nursing.
The Licensed Practical School of Nursing.

The School of Medical Technology.

The School of Radiology.

The School of Inhalation Therapy.

Baptists have long felt the divine imperative to provide a spiritual ministry along with the medical and emotional services offered in their hospitals.

Therefore, through the doors of the hospital come people who not only seek physical help, but also spiritual healing which is so vital to the total man.

As a special salute to National

Hospital Week, Baptists are invited to read a series of articles in the Clarion-Ledger this week written by five ministers in the city of Jackson.

In addition to the Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Mississippi Baptists support other hospital ministries, including the Southern Baptist hospitals in New Orleans and Jacksonville, Fla., and hospitals maintained overseas by the Foreign Mission Board. Mississippi Baptists are also one-third owners of the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis.

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HISTORICAL COMMISSION



Linda Kidd, member of Oakhurst Church, Clarksdale, and Frank Campbell, member of East Fork Church, Liberty, won first places in the Intermediate sword drill at the State Selection Tournament held last Saturday at Ridgecrest Church, Jackson. Linda will represent the state at the Convention-wide drill this summer at Ridgecrest, N. C., while Frank will be the representative at Glorieta, N. M. The tournament is sponsored by the Training Union Department.

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No Issue Next Week

There will be no issue of the Baptist Record next week and our readers are asked to look for the next issue to be published on Thursday, May 30.

A special pull-out feature, sponsored by the Stewardship Department, appears for the first time in this issue. It is a four-page insert, printed with green ink, and entitled "Cooperative Program Report." It will appear twice each quarter, to be followed once each quarter with the full report on mission gifts.

The Annie Armstrong special offering report which was scheduled for next week, will appear in a later issue.

First Negro Elected To SBC Staff Post

ATLANTA (BP) — Emmanuel L. McCall, has been elected as the first Negro ever to hold a professional staff position with a Southern Baptist agency.

McCall was elected as an associate in the department of work with National Baptists of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here in the May meeting of the agency's board of directors.

Currently serving as pastor of the 28th Street Baptist Church in Louisville, Ky., a congregation affiliated with the Progressive National Baptist Convention, McCall will come to Atlanta July 1.

In the new position, McCall will be planning and promoting cooperative encounters between Southern and National Baptists.

McCall said he felt there had been confusion among white Baptists at the point of stepping forward and being counted in the church's struggle with the racial matters. "But I believe this is a real concern on the part of many Baptists," he said.

McCall is a graduate of the University of Louisville and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, holding the bachelor of divinity, master of religious education

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FMB Girds For Future Growth

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, meeting May 9 in regular monthly session, appointed 11 missionaries, took care of routine business, and heard reports from its executive secretary, Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, and other administrative officers.

Dr. Cauthen thanked Woman's Missionary Union and all others who shared in the 1967 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering of \$14,664,679. He explained that most of this love offering for foreign missions has already been appropriated by the Board and that more than \$600,000 will be appropriated in June when the Board meets in full session at Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assembly.

"Resources for foreign missions come primarily through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Offering," he

said. "Both have grown in parallel line during the past 20 years of Southern Baptist foreign mission advance. If either had failed to grow, advance would have been seriously retarded."

Reviewing steps taken in April to reinforce the Board's

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Legal Battle Looms

ATLANTA (EP)—A directive from the State of Georgia says a major Protestant denomination has not adhered properly to its doctrine and that therefore two congregations could pull out and take church property with them.

The historic ruling is seen by George Cornell of Associated Press as the start of a far-reaching legal battle over whether an arm of government can decide what a Christian church is supposed to teach.

Property Acquired For Northeast BSU

Junior College in Booneville has voted to purchase property for a BSU Center.

The property contains slightly more than two acres of land and is situated on a corner directly across the street from the new Fine Arts Building to be built this summer.

At present the property has three old houses on it. Two of these will be rented and one used as an office for the BSU until property is paid for

Due to the rapid growth of the college, every available space is taken in the academic process. The Director of the Baptist Student work does not have an office on campus.

The acquisition of this property will enable the churches of Prentiss, Union, Tippah, Tishomingo, and Alcorn Associations to not only plan for the needs now but for the future as well.

It is felt that every church in this five-county area will want to have a part in the purchase.

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ed States (Southern) for the U. S. Supreme Court. Church leaders say it's the first time in the United States that an instrumentality of the state has acted to pass judgment on whether a religious body is rightly promulgating its faith.

Other denominations with immense property holdings have a stake in the decision. More to the point is the historic church position that the state can't specify what constitutes doctrinal fidelity.

Arad Riggs, a New York attorney said he thinks every denomination is disturbed by the ruling. "What the Georgia court has done is to usurp the right of the church to define itself," he said.

The outcome of this case could effect numerous other lawsuits brewing across the country on similar questions of church teachings and practices.

In the Georgia battle, two Savannah congregations, the Hull Memorial Presbyterian Church and the Eastern Heights Presbyterian Church, quit the denomination, saying it had departed from its faith and that they, as its authentic heirs, were entitled to keep local property. A county-court

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Lottie Moon Gifts Total \$14,664,679

RICHMOND, Va.—The 1967 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering had reached \$14,664,679.30 when the books closed on May 1, according to Everett L. Deane, treasurer of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

This is \$904,532.50 more than the 1966 total. Any additional 1967 Lottie Moon money received after May 1 will be counted on the 1968 offering.

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE



Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, is seen presiding over the first chapel service held in the new Mississippi Baptist Convention Building last Friday morning.

BAPTIST STUDENT SURVEY REVEALED

NASHVILLE (BP) — Views on church participation, doctrines, moral questions and the Baptist Student Union were stated by Baptist young people in a recent survey conducted by the student department.

Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The sample included 62 schools with data collected from a limited number of students of each school by means of a random, stratified sample.

The research was conducted in order to project a ministry to the college campus and help churches to better understand the needs and attitudes of contemporary students.

Students' answers to questions on church participation reveal that 29 percent of the students teach a Sunday School class or have other leadership responsibility in the church. Over half indicated that they do not attend Sunday School as much as they did while in high school.

State Receipts Up 10.4% During First Half Year

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first six months of this convention year, ending April 30, totaled \$1,840,771.63, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, state Baptist executive secretary-treasurer.

This is an increase of \$173,455.93 or 10.4 percent over the \$1,667,315.70 given the same period a year ago.

Receipts for April totaled \$297,518.13, a decrease of \$54,906.35 or 15.6 percent under the \$352,424.48 contributed in April a year ago.

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination, and accounts for about two-thirds of the total mission contributions.

Approximately one-fourth of the sampled students stated that they attend Training Union regularly. Freshmen ranked highest and graduate students ranked lowest in attendance.

On the questions of Baptist

the students indicated that they believe Baptists are too old-fashioned in their beliefs. Nearly 21 percent of the freshmen students believed this, while 36.7 percent of the graduate students surveyed had this feeling.

Approximately 40 percent of the Baptist students believe that a sincere person of any religion will go to heaven. Only 11 percent, however, believed that all who live a good moral life will go to heaven; while 10 percent believe there is no hell or eternal punishment.

Answers to moral questions in the survey revealed that two-thirds of the students believe that all sexual intercourse before marriage is wrong. Some 72 percent of the freshmen agreed it was wrong. Only 55.4 percent of the graduate students had the same belief. Almost three-fourths of the students expect their life partner to be morally and sexually pure.

On the question of moderate social drinking, 32 percent of the students approved, while 10 percent was undecided. One fourth of the freshmen stated that they approved while 52.7 percent of the graduate class approved.

A low participation in the Baptist Student Union pointed out the need for an effective means of communicating with students who do not or can not attend BSU functions.

Data from the study also indicated that one-fourth of the students believe that the BSU needs a new approach. About half of the students think the BSU is too shallow in its religious activities. Some 30 percent stated that they were too busy to attend the BSU activities. About 13 percent said that they attend BSU regularly.

Although 11 percent of the students received "The Baptist Student," published by the board's student department,

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Baptist Building Chapel Used For First Service

By Anne McWilliams
Baptist Building employees, now numbering 84, met on May 10 at 9 o'clock for their first service in the new chapel.

Executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, in charge of the service, explained that technically this was not a chapel, but an auditorium, as it would sometimes be used for business and committee meetings and Board meetings, as well as for religious services.

The chapel, as it will nevertheless be called, was one of the last rooms completed in the erection of the new Baptist Building. Employees moved into the incomplete building in early March; all construction and practically

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Long Range Planning Meeting To Be Held



Completing plans for Mississippi's first Long-Range Planning Conference: (left to right) Vance Vernon, Church Administration Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, in charge of Long-Range Planning; Rev. Leon Emery, associate in the Cooperative Missions Department, responsible for Long-Range Planning in Mississippi; Howard Foshee, secretary of the Church Administration Department; and Rev. Joe Hinkle, consultant in this department responsible for Church Administration in the Southeastern states.

Graham Ready For U.S. Meets

ATLANTA, Ga. (Special)—Evangelist Billy Graham opens his first of three major efforts in the United States for 1968 with the Pacific Northwest Crusade beginning May 17 in Portland, Oregon.

The 10-day Crusade will begin in the modern glass, steel and cement 12,000-seat Memorial Coliseum in the "city of roses."

Graham's Crusades this year will be held from West Coast to the East Coast with San Antonio, Texas, in June and Pittsburgh, Pa. in late August.

More than 6,000 Portland church members will form a massive volunteer army to knock on 275,000 homes Sunday (May 12) in the greater Portland area with an invitation to attend the Crusade.

With just over a week remaining before Evangelist Graham mounts the specially constructed platform in the arena of the Coliseum, "all is ready" according to Crusade Director Harry B. Williams. The Crusade has been "in the making" for three years.

This week more than 6,000 persons are completing five weeks of Christian Life and Witness Classes. A portion of those taking the specialized training will be used as counselors during the Crusade to assist those who are interested in the Christian faith.

Thousands of other Portland citizens have joined in the Crusade effort by volunteering for the 2,000-voice choir, serving in the 600 - member ushers corps of opening one of 2,000 homes for Crusade prayer emphasis.

Billy Graham and his Team of associates are expected to arrive in Portland sometime next week. Prior to the actual Crusade services beginning Friday, May 17, Graham is scheduled to address a special ministers' meeting on Thursday morning, May 16.

Portland will be the site from which three Crusade services will be telecast to the nation, as well as Canada and Australia, in June. Three meetings will be video taped in color for the delayed telecast on a network of more than 200 television stations from coast to coast.



Rev. C. M. Day of Clinton, retired, former director of temperance activities of the State Convention Board, was honored by the Christian Action Commission of the Convention on May 11 by being presented a plaque at a meeting of the local members of the body and invited guests. Several present are, from left: Dr. Billy McCormick, director of American Council on Alcohol Problems, Washington, speaker; Dr. J. Clark Hensley, executive director of Commission, who made presentation; Mr. Day; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, and Rev. Rowe Holcomb, Commission chairman. The award was given "in recognition of his contribution to alcohol education in Mississippi—1955-65."

FMB Girds For Growth

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administration, Dr. Cauthen said it is expected that additional area secretaries will be elected in June and that "other recommendations will be brought from time to time for further strengthening the Board's overall administration." (In April the Board subdivided two of its four administrative areas, creating six.)

Dr. Cauthen expressed hope that by the close of 1973 the Board will have 3,000 missionaries overseas. This would mean about the same net increase as during the past five years. (The current overseas staff is 2,376.)

Crawley Sums Up 14 Years
Dr. Winston Crawley gave a "final accounting of Stewardship" for his 14 years as the Board's secretary for the Orient. His area was subdivided in April (becoming East Asia and Southeast Asia) and he became director of the newly created overseas division May 1.

While Dr. Crawley was Orient secretary, the number of Southern Baptist missionaries to that part of the world rose from 294 to 748. The number of churches and chapels related to Southern Baptist mission work and their membership nearly quadrupled, growing to 1,222 congregations with almost 80,000 members. Self-supporting churches increased from 24 to 87 percent, and

the number of national pastors from 85 to 754. (Most of the 13 Orient countries to which Southern Baptist missionaries are now assigned were entered after missionaries had to withdraw from mainland China around 1950.)

Also, Baptist work in Hawaii was transferred from the Foreign Mission Board to the new state's Baptist convention. Baptist student work, radio and television evangelism, and ministries to English-speaking people were greatly expanded. Two new colleges, four theological schools, and six hospitals were opened (with two more hospitals planned). Six new publication centers were developed. Special projects in evangelism and church development were carried out in many countries.

Three-Nation Survey Planned

Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, reported on the first conference of Southern Baptist missionaries to the French-speaking nations of West Africa. Missionaries from Togo and the Ivory Coast met with Dr. Goerner in Lome, Togo, April 24-26, to discuss common problems, plan unified projects, and consider expansion into nearby countries.

Effective Christian literature in the French language is rated by the missionaries as their most pressing need, Dr. Goerner said. The conference requested a missionary

isters for the entire area.

After leaving Togo, Dr. Goerner stopped briefly in Lagos, Nigeria, where he found the city apparently unaffected by the fact that fighting continues in the eastern section of the country. The Nigerian Baptist Convention was in session in Benin City.

"Nigerian Baptists recognize that, even if current negotiations bring an end to hostilities, they will have a special ministry to perform in seeking to heal the wounds created by the easterners' attempted secession," Dr. Goerner reported. The resumption of missionary activities in areas recently recaptured by federal forces must await the outcome of negotiations, he said.

New Missionaries

The new missionaries, their native states, and fields of service are: Charles B. Baker, of Oklahoma, and Marsha Ruth Baker, of Kansas, for Korea; Jackie B. Cooper and Arlene Harrison Cooper, both of South Carolina, for Argentina; William T. (Pete) Dunn, of Alabama, and Patricia Berger-Dunn, of Maryland, for Lebanon.

Also, Charles G. Norwood and Lillian Mayes Norwood, both of Louisiana, for the Philippines; Barbara Wilson, of Oklahoma, for Tanzania; and Robert D. Worley, of New Mexico and Jerry Fletcher Worley, of Texas, for Spain.

Mr. Baker will work in the Philippines and Mr. Worley will do general evangelistic work. Dr. Norwood is a medical doctor, and Miss Wilson a medical technologist. (All the men except Dr. Norwood are ordained ministers.)

Southern Baptist boys from most of the 50 states will be the guests of Oklahoma City Aug. 13-15 for the Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress.

Baptist Building Chapel Open

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all the furnishing and decorating was finished by the week of May 6.

"Though Open House will be held on July 2 and the formal dedication of the building will be during the Convention next November," Dr. Quarles said, "let us make this a day of dedication of ourselves."

The chapel is on the ground floor to the left of the main entrance. Its furnishings and decoration were gifts from Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Touchstone, Sr. as a memorial to their sons, both of whom were killed in an airplane crash. T. N. Touchstone, Jr. was one of the architects and W. C. Touchstone was one of the mechanical engineers for the new building.

Tiny chromium crosses adorn the handles of the tall walnut entrance doors. The rows of blue plush seats face north toward a wall of windows. Beyond the windows and their full white draperies is a small walled garden, and beyond the wall, a row of magnolias now in bloom. The east and west walls are brick, an inner extension of the outer patio walls. The south wall is paneled in walnut. Charcoal-colored carpet drowns the sound of footsteps, so that all is silent and reverent.

A. L. Nelson, Convention

Board business manager played soft piano music as the employees entered the chapel. Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, Director, Department of Evangelism, led in the singing of two hymns, "Blessed Assurance," and "Amazing Grace." How appropriate the words, "This is my story! This is my song. Praising my Saviour all the day long!"

Dr. Joe T. Odle, Baptist Record editor, led in the opening prayer. He expressed gratitude to God for the persons and events that had led to this "historic moment."

Mrs. Mary Lib Clayburn, Dr. Quarles' secretary, read the Calendar of Prayer. Dr. Wm. P. Davis, director, Department of Work with National Baptists, led in prayer, remembering those who were ill in the Baptist Building family, and those missionaries who had birthdays the previous week.

The first Scripture verses read in the new chapel were the first twelve verses of the fifth chapter of Matthew, the Beatitudes from the Sermon on the Mount, or, as Dr. Quarles called it, the Sermon from the Hills. He read these verses that begin with "blessed" and explained that the word "blessed" means "spiritual prosperity."

He went on to say that the

Pioneer Texas Leader, T. C. Gardner, Dies

DALLAS (BP) — Funeral Services were held May 8 for T. C. Gardner, 80, director of Texas Baptist Training Union work for 40 years and former president and vice-president of East Texas Baptist College at Marshall, Tex.

Gardner died May 6 at Baptist Memorial Geriatric Hospital in San Angelo.

Services were held at the Highland Baptist Church in Dallas where Gardner was a member, with burial at Hillcrest Mausoleum.

Gardner, known as the dean of Baptist Training Union leaders, assumed the Training Union leadership for Texas in 1916. Training Union was then known as Baptist Young People's Union (BYPU) and had only 16,554 members in 512 unions over Texas.

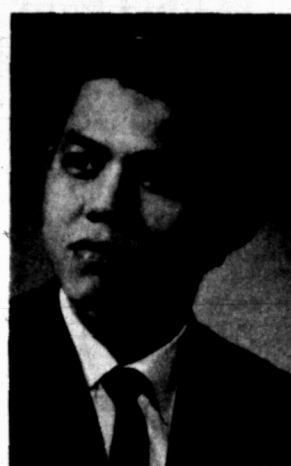
At the time of his retirement in 1956, the Training Union program in Texas had grown to 424,854 members in 15,485 unions, or 25 per cent of the world's training unions.

After retirement the veteran church worker was named vice-president of East Texas Baptist College in Marshall, which he had served as president during the school's formative years from 1913 to 1916.

Through the years Gardner waged an unceasing fight against sale of liquor in Texas, sought to "reclaim Sunday night for Christ," and worked to make Training Union activities at "family affairs" that would attract persons of all ages.

Training Union has two great aims, he believed: (1) to win the lost, and (2) to train and indoctrinate the saved. "The churches that have continued to promote this twofold program have found it easier to win the lost and to secure a matured leadership for real and heroic service," he explained.

Mrs. Gardner, who survives, suffered a heart attack recently in San Angelo and is in the Shannon Hospital there. Other survivors are a son, Thurman C. (Jack) Gardner Jr., of Booneville, Miss.; a sister, Miss Sadie Gardner of Memphis, Tenn.; three brothers, Percy and Virgil Gardner of Jackson, Miss., and Hall Gardner of Houston; and a granddaughter, Mrs. John David Price of Booneville, Miss.



THE COMBINED INFLUENCE of three Southern Baptist agencies led Teh Kean Chong (John Teh) to the United States and to a position as an artist for the Sunday School Board. The Foreign Mission Board played an important role in his life as a teen-ager in Malaya. While he was a student in Belfast, Northern Ireland, the Radio and Television Commission helped him make the initial contact with the Sunday School Board's art department.—BSSB PHOTO

HBP Enrolment Open To June

Applications are being accepted now through May 31 for coverage to begin July 1 in the Health Benefit Plan.

The Health Benefit Plan a convention-wide insurance plan offering hospital - surgical-major medical benefits, is open to all salaried ministers, church and agency employees (except hospital personnel).

Baynard F. Fox, director of the Life and Health Benefits Department of the Southern Baptist Annuity Board, emphasizes the ever-increasing costs of hospital and medical care. "Many older programs of insurance are becoming obsolete and inadequate for present-day costs," Fox said. "The Health Benefit Plan's more than hospital and surgical coverage—it has major medical provisions to meet physician's bills incurred in or out of the hospital."

The Health Benefit Plan has paid more than \$3 million in benefits during the last two and one-half years; more than 13,000 members and their families are currently enrolled.

The plan is administered by the Annuity Board and underwritten by Blue Cross-Blue Shield.

Baptist Layman, Philanthropist, Dies At Louisville

LOUISVILLE, Miss. — Philanthropist William Alexander Taylor Sr., 66, founder and president of Taylor Machine Works, died Thursday morning, May 9, of apparent heart attack at Winston County Hospital.

Services were held at 10 a. m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church here. Interment was in Memorial Park with Green-Wilkes Funeral home in charge. His body was moved late Thursday afternoon to the Spiritual Center of Taylor Machine Works where it lay in state until the service hour.

The nationally known and respected industrialist and philanthropist began his career as a shade-tree mechanic in Louisville in the 1920s where he worked as a mechanic for Rhodes Motor Co. He later bought the business.

Taylor Machine Works, as such, had its beginning in 1927. Since that time it has expanded to a business employing some 500 persons and supplying agricultural and forestry tools and heavy equipment to markets on a worldwide basis.

Mr. Taylor had a very deep love of the land and devoted much of his life to making tools that would improve the soil.

A sincere Christian, Mr. Taylor lived long enough to see his dream of a Spiritual Center in the midst of a manufacturing plant become a reality, and his body lay in state there.

Attended MSU
A native of French Camp, he was educated there and at Mississippi State University. He was a member of First Baptist Church here, was a deacon, and had many times served as chairman of the Board of Deacons.

He was chairman of the building committee when the present church was built and when the educational building was erected. He was a member of the Rotary Club and was a member of the Rotary Club and was a trustee of French Camp Academy and of Clarke College.

Mr. Taylor was a benefactor of many students helping them to obtain an education. He was very generous with his money and only recently had donated organs to several churches in Winston County.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Leon Turner Taylor; one son, W. A. Taylor Jr., Louisville; two daughters, Mrs. Price Paschal, Brandon and Mrs. Jerry Donald, Louisville; two brothers, Warren Taylor of Jackson and Wilson Taylor, Louisville; and nine grandchildren.

The family requested that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to French Camp Academy, Clarke College, Blue Mountain College, or First Baptist Church in Louisville.

Francisco Gets Study Grant For Oxford Research

LOUISVILLE (BP)—A \$4,000 study grant has been awarded to Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Old Testament professor Clyde T. Francisco by the American Association of Theological Schools for study at Oxford University in England.

While in England for the academic year of 1968-69 on sabbatical leave, Francisco will write a commentary on the book of Genesis, do research in the famed Bodleian Library, and consult with leading Old Testament scholars at Oxford.

Byron E. Mathis, Calvary Church, Pascagoula.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ruth Dukes Moulder; one son, Chester S. Jr., Hattiesburg; four daughters, Mrs. Ruth Boteler of Hattiesburg, Mrs. Joyce Mathis of Pascagoula, Mrs. Hazel Cothran of Jackson and Mrs. Bobbie Nell Taylor of Petal; two sisters, Mrs. Lottie Russum, Crystal Springs, and Mrs. Ned Riley of Jackson; four brothers, Webster of Raleigh, Bartley of Jackson, Rap of Jackson and Allen of Lorena; eight grandchildren, one step-granddaughter and one step-grandson. Burial was in Roseland Parks Cemetery.

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and master of divinity degrees.

He is the former associate pastor of the Joshua Tabernacle Baptist Church in Louisville and a part-time teacher at Simmons Bible College in Louisville.

Youth Emphasis Given
Directors of the denomination's Home Mission Board here also elected three men to strengthen the outreach to youth and a fourth to assist in surveys and special studies.

Travis Lipscomb of Fresno,

Long Range — — —

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This is designed to help persons who are leading churches in long-range planning.

The conference will be limited to forty persons, twenty churches with two persons from each church, one of whom must be the pastor.

A registration fee of \$20 per person will be charged. (This will include approximately \$12 worth of materials that each person attending will receive.) The certificate of attendance given at the end of the conference will qualify a church to purchase Long-Range Planning materials.

Churches will be registered in the order that their registration fee is received. The following churches are already registered:

Woodville Heights, Jackson, Rev. Carl Savell, pastor; First, Gulfport, Dr. William G. Tanner, pastor; First, Ripley, Rev. Robert W. Martin, pastor; Sardis, Rev. Charles M. Conley, pastor; Daniel Memorial, Jackson, Dr. Allen O. Webb, pastor; First, Greenville, Dr. Perry Claxton, pastor; Meadville, Rev. Lewis G. Sowell, pastor; Siloam, West Point, Rev. David M. Shaffey, pastor; first, Starkville, Dr. D. C. Applegate, pastor.



A meeting of the Cooperative Program Promotion Study Committee was held at the Baptist Building in Jackson May 9, sponsored by the Stewardship Department. W. E. Grindstaff, associate in Stewardship Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., is seen speaking to the group.

THE BAPTIST FORUM

Ecumenical Question

SBC MUST MAKE ECUMENICAL DECISIONS

Dear Dr. Odle:

You have made some broad statements in your editorial on "Southern Baptists and the Ecumenical Movement" which will hardly stand the light of Christian reasoning. Ecumenism is a major Christian issue today and Southern Baptists are having to face it. Some have positive reactions and others negative ones, but we all must make decisions. To say "there is almost no chance that Southern Baptists" will participate "in any of the present day ecumenical movements" seems presumptuous to me. On one hand you say no one can speak for Southern Baptists and then you come right back and do so.

Make a survey of all Southern Baptist ministers under 40 years of age on their attitude toward the ecumenical movement and then report your findings. Take a cross-section poll of leading laymen in all areas of Southern Baptist life on the same subject and report your findings. I've an idea these samplings will not support your conclusions. There is a "new breed" among the brethren today. It is time they were being heard from and being counted.

Now, let's get our terms in focus. Ecumenism and organic union are not the same. The National Council and the World Council of Churches are not the same. The "Church" with all denominational distinctives abolished. (It will be very difficult, how-

ever, to get away from Paul's idea of "one body." But I realize that bringing the New Testament into the discussion will abolish a lot of our pet ideas.) COCU is not a child of the National Council of Churches. The United Methodist Church or the United Church of Christ did not result from National Council Programs. A council of churches is simply an instrument of cooperation through which denominations co-ordinate their efforts and work together in common tasks. It is created by member groups and is directly controlled by their delegated representatives.

The call of the day is for disciples to be Christians first and Baptists or Methodists or what have you, second. Harping on "denominational distinctives" is not the word for the day of stress and strain. And Baptists of all groups of Christians should realize this, for we have been a free people. However, if we do not discern the "signs of the times" and sense the moving of the Spirit, there is no guarantee that we will continue to be a people of God. We can't shut our ears and close our minds and seal over our hearts to what God is doing in this day. We must listen with openness, respond in trust, move out in love and let the Spirit lead us where He will.

Dr. Wm. P. Davis, pastor of Farish Street Baptist Church in Jackson and vice-president of the Seminary.

Dr. Whitney, a native of Tallulah, La., received his B. A. degree from Leland College, Baker, La., and the B.D. degree from Virginia Union University School of Religion, Richmond, Va.

In 1960 he was awarded the D.D. degree by the Mississippi Baptist Seminary.

The 115 awards to be presented will include the following: Sunday School diploma, 50; Busy Pastor's certificate, 4; Christian Training certificate, 35; Christian Training diploma, 6; English Bible diploma, 3; Bachelor of Religious education degree, 6; Bachelor of Theology degree, 6.

The alumni banquet will be held at 7:00 p.m. Thursday with a meeting of the seminary trustees set for that morning at 10:00 o'clock.

The principal speaker will

NO ROOM FOR COMPROMISE

Dear Dr. Odle:

I read with much interest the "Baptist Problem" series. The ecumenical movement seems to be the great religious crisis currently sweeping the country. The union of the Methodist Church and the United Brethren Church is seen as one event that happened this past week.

I have read the articles by some of our Baptist pastors. As a Baptist Christian layman I would like to add my voice to those that are in opposition to such a union of Southern Baptists with any other denomination. S. R. Woodson, pastor of First Church, Columbus, has so aptly written in the Baptist Record the distinctive doctrinal beliefs of Baptists that cannot be compromised or watered down, for us to be a Bible-believing people. His six distinctive beliefs, that we Baptists hold so dear to our hearts, leave no room for compromise of our convictions.

Let me say with all sincerity that we are all God's creations, but we are not all God's children. All men are not brothers, as some would have us believe. We only achieve God's children as we believe on Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour of our lives and commit ourselves to Him in repentance and faith. Our brothers are those that are in Christ, then we can call men our brothers in Christ. Can we truly unite with any group that believes any different?

Woodson points out the areas where we as Baptists and as Christians can unite with others to help solve moral problems and problems that are common to all.

Baptists are a peculiar people. I guess there is no other group of Christians in the world that do not have a papal head or ecclesiastical head, and without a dictator that binds a people together, under the leadership of Jesus Christ as our only authority on unity or Christian matters.

I am proud to be a Baptist, and know that I have a responsibility as a Christian to present Jesus as the only hope of a world that is in disunity and turmoil, the only hope of salvation for a world, that wants a one world church, the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Let us as Baptists present Jesus to men and then and only then can we have unity of the Spirit, not unionism. Thank you for your articles on the Ecumenical Movement. I am in agreement 100%. Yours for a better world through Jesus Christ.

Philip H. West
Brookhaven

ECUMENICAL?

I'm no preacher, but I do declare

I've simply got to say my say. 'Cause each one has their own true place

And in that they ought to stay.

This Ecumenical move, to me is a heap of man-made plans. Yet, it's written in the Bible

Not to mix — religion or any klan.

'Course there's a heap of good folks, I grant you, that don't know that.

Take last part of verse twenty-six, in seventeenth chapter of acts.

Sure some will hit the ceiling,

JOHN HAGGAI

Indonesian School Of Evangelism Set

DJAKARTA — A three-week seminar on evangelism for Indonesian pastors and evangelists will be held here by the Haggai Evangelistic Association of Atlanta, Ga., May 20-June 8.

Evangelist John Edmund Haggai said this will conclude the seven-week "Total Evangelism, Indonesia" campaign which his organization began April 22.

An international faculty will lead the seminar, as follows:

Dr. Khung Chik Han, pastor of the 7,000-member Young Nak Presbyterian Church of Seoul, Korea;

Dr. C. E. Autrey, secretary, Department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Ga.;

Dr. Haggai will return to Jakarta from an intervening one-week crusade in Beirut, Lebanon, for the conclusion of his Indonesian campaign. He will preach to an interdenominational audience at the National Evangelical Church 6f Beirut May 26-June 2.

Many

Hundreds of lay-witnessing teams, many without formal training, have been active in the great revival sweeping Indonesia since the overthrow of the communists in late 1965, Dr. Haggai said. The seminar will provide a refresher course for trained ministers and will seek to give untrained Christian workers a grounding in Bible evangelism and modern methods of communicating the Gospel.

"It will not be an 'American' approach," he said, "but one geared to needs suggested by the Indonesians. One of our great anticipations is to have Indonesian pastors and evangelists share with us what the Lord has been doing through them. The unprecedented moving of the Holy Spirit in their land qualifies them to share some insights with us. It will be a pooling of insights."

"Total Evangelism, Indonesia" is the first overseas project of the Haggai Association in its program of world evangelism-missions.



Dr. C. E. Autrey

Bishop A. W. Goodwin Hudson of the Church of England, presently at St. Paul's Church of Portland Square, London, England;

Dr. Bob Pierce, founder of World Vision International, Monrovia, Cal.;

Dr. Jerry Beavan, public relations consultant, Palo Alto, Cal., formerly with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

Property ---

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chase of this property, according to the committee.

Therefore, a plan is being suggested whereby every church can have a part, and no church will be overburdened in paying for this property.

Churches with less than five hundred members are being asked to contribute one dollar.

Churches with 500-1,000 members are being asked to give one thousand, churches with 1,000-2,000 members are being asked to give two thousand, and all churches with over 2,000 members are asked to give three thousand. This is to be done within the next six months.

The total price of the property is \$27,000.00. It is anticipated that this amount can be raised within the next six months. Churches or individuals wishing to contribute may send their contribution to Professor O. C. Robinson, Northeast Mississippi Junior College, Booneville, 38829, designated property fund, or they may send it to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary - treasurer, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, Miss., marked "Northeast Junior College BSU Property Fund."

Legal Battle ---

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jury made up mainly of Baptists upheld the charge, finding that the Presbyterian denomination had "deviated substantially" from its doctrines and practices. The Georgia Supreme Court has upheld the decision.

Say, I'm all ag'in progress, Need to open up my mind And all that kind of mess. Satan, he's a busy fellow Thinking up the likes of that. Brainwashing all that'll listen And hatching up another batch.

Sure we've got those false teachers, But it's true, I've also found, That it's better to hold to the Bible And stay within our own true bounds.

Member of the original Southern Baptist, Mrs. E. H. Harrell, Clarksdale

FMB RECEIVES CABLE FROM SAIGON STAFF

The Foreign Mission Board learned by cable (May 8) that all Southern Baptist missionaries assigned to Saigon, Vietnam, are all right following several days of Vietcong attacks on the city.

Missionaries currently stationed in Saigon are Rev. Robert C. Davis, Jr. (of Hearne, Tex.), Rev. James M. Gayle (of Freeport, Tex.), Rev. Herman P. Hayes (of Bossier City, La.), Rev. James F. Humphries (of Decatur, Ga.), Rev. Samuel M. James (of Durham, N. C.), and Rev. and Mrs. Ronald W. Fuller (of Lafayette, Calif.). Except for Mr. Fuller, the missionary wives and children are currently in Bangkok, Thailand. (Eleven-year-old Peter Fuller is with his parents.)



Sarah Spain

Two Returning Journeymen Go To FMB Posts

Miss Sarah Spain, of Birmingham, Ala., and Dwight Young, of Lubbock, Tex., Southern Baptist missionary journeymen now winding up their overseas assignments, have been employed by the Foreign Mission Board to work in the department of missionary personnel in jobs related to the Journeyman Program, directed by Rev. Louis R. Cobb. Miss Spain is a 1964 graduate of Blue Mountain College and was secretary in the student department of the Miss. Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, before becoming a journeyman in 1966.

Journeymen are college graduates, under 27 years of age, who work alongside overseas career missionaries for two years. Mr. Young has been teaching English in Hong Kong Baptist College, and Miss Spain has been serving in Cali, Colombia, as secretary to the Foreign Mission Board's field representative for the Caribbean area and northern South America.

In the personnel department, Mr. Young will be staff assistant. His responsibilities will include presenting the Journeyman Program on college campuses, at Baptist Student Union conventions and retreats, and in churches.

Miss Spain will coordinate the deputation work of returned journeymen, assist with conferences and programs related to the selection and training of new journeymen, make travel arrangements, and speak to youth groups.

Recital To Be Given By String Group At MC

The Mississippi College String Extension classes at Woodland Hills, Broadmoor and Parkway Baptist Churches in Jackson will give a Spring Recital in Aven Hall Auditorium at Mississippi College on Sunday, May 19 at 3 p.m.

Teachers for this year have been Prof. Allan Fuller and Mrs. Anne Mason, faculty instructor; Alton Waggener, cello; Bill Lamkin, violin; Phil Lowe, violin; Mrs. Betty Fuller, Suzuki method.



Rev. J. C. Renfro

Rankin Calls Missionary

Rev. J. C. Renfro has resigned as pastor of McLaurin Heights Church, Jackson, effective May 19, to become superintendent of missions for Rankin County. He will assume his new duties June 1.

A native of Rankin County, he has served as pastor of McLaurin Heights Church for the past five and one-half years. During this time, there have been 682 additions to the church, 156 by baptism. The church budget increased from \$18,000.00 to \$63,700.00. A new building was erected and equipped. The church program was expanded to include a library and a kindergarten.

In Rankin County, he has served as moderator and chairman of the Mission Committee. In 1966, he was chairman of the Program Committee for the State Convention and on the Baptist Education Study Task. Currently, he is on the Education Commission and the Holding Board of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary. He holds the B.D. and M.R.E. degrees from the Seminary. He has also done graduate study in guidance and counseling.

He is married to the former Vesta Price of Jackson. She is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. They are the parents of four children: John 12, Carol 10, Joel 8, and Cecelia 5.

ATTENTION Young People's Workers

State Native Goes With BSSB

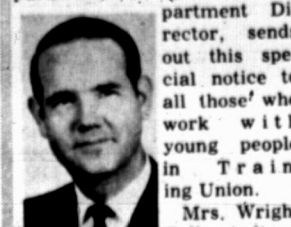
NASHVILLE (BP)—Jimmy F. Dunn has assumed duties as associational youth consultant in the Training Union department of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A native of Starkville, Miss., Dunn received a bachelor of science degree from Mississippi State University there. He also holds a master of religious education degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

In his new position, Dunn will be responsible for developing leader training plans and materials for use in associations, Stanley Howell, supervisor of associational youth section for the board, said.

Dunn comes to the board from First Baptist Church, Bogalusa, La., where he was minister of music and education. He served in Isabel Baptist Church, Isabel, La., as minister of music two years

In the absence of a Young People's Worker in the Department, Kermit S. King, Department Director, sends out this special notice to all those who work with young people in Training Union.



Mrs. Wright

Gellerstedt of Atlanta, Georgia, outstanding approved worker of the Recreation Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, and approved Young People's Worker of the Georgia Training Union Department, will be leading the conferences for young people, ages 17-24, and those who work with these young people in the churches. This is a feature of Training Union Week at Gulfshore, July 29-August 2.

Write for your reservation to Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi.

Telecast Will Pay Tribute To Missionaries

NEW YORK (EP)—A special tribute will be paid to Protestant and Roman Catholic missionaries in an hour-long TV special titled "In the Name of God."

Sponsored by the 3M Company on ABC-TV, May 20, the program will examine the work of modern-day missionaries who battle against poverty, disease and hunger among the people with whom they live and serve.

"In the Name of God" will examine four such forward-looking missionaries who serve in poverty-ridden areas of the Pacific and India. The viewer will see what the servants of the Church have accomplished in helping nationals to better themselves through hard work, unique planning and prayer.



Dr. W. R. Grigg



Dr. S. Leon Whitney

Seminary Graduation Exercises Set For Sophia Sutton May 30-31

Commencement exercises for Mississippi Baptist Seminary will be held at Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly near Prentiss May 30-31.

Dr. Wm. P. Davis, Jackson, seminary president, said that degrees, diplomas and certificates would be awarded to 115 persons at the graduating exercises Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Dr. W. R. Grigg, associate secretary of the Department of Work With National Baptists of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga., will be the principal speaker.

Dr. Grigg, a native of Illinois, is a graduate of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and was awarded the D. D. degree by Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.

The baccalaureate service will be held on Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. The principal speaker will

be Dr. S. Leon Whitney, pastor of Farish Street Baptist Church in Jackson and vice-president of the Seminary.

Dr. Whitney, a native of Tallulah, La., received his B. A. degree from Leland College, Baker, La., and the B.D. degree from Virginia Union University School of Religion, Richmond, Va.

In 1960 he was awarded the D.D. degree by the Mississippi Baptist Seminary.

The 115 awards to be presented will include the following: Sunday School diploma, 50; Busy Pastor's certificate, 4; Christian Training certificate, 35; Christian Training diploma, 6; English Bible diploma, 3; Bachelor of Religious education degree, 6; Bachelor of Theology degree, 6.

The alumni banquet will be held at 7:00 p.m. Thursday with a meeting of the seminary trustees set for that morning at 10:00 o'clock.

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

A Missionary Force

In many places in the world, Southern Baptists have at work a strong missionary force about which most Baptists have little knowledge. It is made up of military and business personnel from Southern Baptist churches who are serving Christ in the countries where they are stationed around the globe.

We have known about this for a long time, but our knowledge concerning it has been greatly enlarged and brought up to date, through contact with military families in three recent revivals. Last August I preached in a revival in a church near Columbus Air Force Base at Columbus, Miss. In April I held a meeting in the Ridgecrest Church, Newburgh, New York. This church is located close to both the United States Military Academy at West Point and Stewart Air Force Base. Just two weeks ago I preached in a revival with the Emmanuel Church, Biloxi, near Keesler Air Force Base.

In each of these churches a large part of the membership is comprised of army or air force families, and we had the privilege of close association with a number of these homes. We were glad to see the splendid support they give to their churches, and thrilled by the reports they brought of their activities in Baptist churches in which they had worked during their overseas assignments. They told us about churches in the Philippines, Vietnam, Taiwan, Indonesia, Hong Kong, France, Germany, and other places. They had worked with the missionaries, in English language churches in the countries, etc. They had served as teachers, deacons, choir members, and in other ways.

In many cases, the families or some members of them, had been won to Christ by churches which were near military bases to which they had been assigned here in this country, and then had gone from those churches to serve in the overseas churches, when their army or air force assignments carried them there.

Others were families which had been active in their churches before entering the service, and then continued that activity when they entered the armed forces.

Our hearts were stirred as we met these splendid people. Once more we were reminded of the fact that these were true Christian missionaries, helping give the Christian message, and build churches, around the world, wherever the arm of U. S. military force reaches. Moreover, they are being paid, not with missionary dollars, but by the U. S. government. And this without any involvement of separation of church and state.

We were told, too, of American business men and their families, who also work in these churches overseas. They are sent out by the business firms of Amer-

ica to head up businesses or agencies in these other lands, and they, too, are missionaries without appointment.

The imagination is stirred as one thinks of what could be accomplished if every Southern Baptist were trained to be such a missionary, wherever his vocation or military responsibility takes him. Such a force would be many times larger than any we ever can send from our mission boards, and would quickly help build a mighty mission witness in many, many countries.

One of the ladies whose husband is in the military service, reminded me, however, that not only could these people be a blessing to these overseas churches, but also that the churches were a great blessing to the service families. She said that it meant so much to them to find a good Baptist church near a military base to which they had been assigned. They knew that there they would find for themselves and their children, the spiritual fellowship and blessing which they had back at home.

We found this to be true even here in the U. S. At the New York church, which is the only Southern Baptist church for many miles around, we met a young couple who said, "You just can't know how happy we are to find a Southern Baptist church up here!"

News And Opinion

Once more we would like to remind our readers of the difference between news and opinion.

The Baptist Record receives an immense volume of news relating to Mississippi Baptists, Southern Baptists, Baptists of the world, other Christian work, and concerning other matters which affect or relate to our Baptist churches and people. From that the Baptist Record editor and staff select the material which they believe Mississippi Baptists should know about. Since it is impossible to use all, selection must be made.

The Record also carries many opinion articles. These are used in editorials, in by-line articles (articles which carry the name of the author), and in the Forum, where readers write letters to the editor.

A news article may, and often does include material with which the editor and staff does not agree. However, it is news which relates to or affects Baptists, so we feel that our readers have a right to know concerning it.

The Baptist Record is a newspaper, and not a mere bulletin. If it carried only things everybody agreed with, it would be a mere announcement sheet, and few would wish to read it. As a responsible Baptist journal, it does seek to provide a true cross section and summary of the news which affects Mississippi Baptists, Southern Baptists and other Baptists of the world. It also carries a limited amount of other Christian news about which Baptists need to keep informed.

A responsible journal also carries opinion articles. Opinions of the editor are found in the editorial columns. Opinions of others will be found in the by-line

articles and in the Forum. Of course, opinion also is sometimes carried in news articles through direct quotations from individuals.

If readers always will differentiate between news and opinion they will be able to understand what appears in the paper. If you want to know what the editor believes, read the editorials. If you want to know what others believe, read the articles and Forum. If you want to know what is happening or being said, read the news articles.

It is your editor's conviction that informed Baptists will be better Baptists, and that the Baptist Record has a responsibility to try to provide for our readers a full coverage of news and opinion affecting Baptists. That is what we are trying to do.

Meridian's "Committee Of Conscience"

Christian and other leaders in Meridian have formed a "Committee of Conscience" for the stated purpose of "initiating a community effort for concrete and personal action in response to the physical losses and personal injustices and indignities suffered by congregations whose buildings have been set afire by arsonists."

The action was taken after a number of churches in the Meridian area were burned. The committee says, "We accept these losses as our own. A fund for rebuilding and refurbishing is being established under the auspices of the Committee of Conscience. Materials, labor, equipment, and financial aid will be dispersed by the committee only when requested and then only after a responsible investigation."

This committee is fashioned after the Committee of Concern which was formed in Jackson in 1964 to rebuild burned and bombed churches over the state. This earlier committee assisted more than forty churches.

The Meridian area has been the object of the latest attacks on Negro churches, so the new committee has been formed there. A Baptist pastor, Rev. Harold Chester is serving as chairman, and the committee is made up of representatives of all faiths and all races.

We salute these Meridian leaders in the action they are taking. Nothing they can do will show more clearly the love, good will and fellowship which exists among the vast majority of the people of Mississippi. Long enough has the state suffered from the actions of a few cowardly individuals, who in their blindness and sin-sickness have made attacks on Negro churches and homes. An attack on a church, a home or a business, belonging to any Mississippian, is an attack upon every principle of Christianity and freedom. Those who suffer such must have assistance and assurance of concern from fellow Mississippians. The Committee of Conscience is seeking to give that assistance and friendship in a positive manner. It deserves the prayerful support of every Mississippian.

Radio Response In Italy

By Patsy Lawton

In 1965 Italian Baptists began to broadcast a 15-minute program over Radio Monte Carlo once a week. After several years Rev. Stanley Crabb, Jr., Southern Baptist missionary, was asked to direct this activity.

Listeners were invited to write to "Master's Way." Every letter was answered, writers were referred to the Baptist church nearest them, and pastors were notified. But some letters came from people in communities where there was no Baptist church or Baptist church members. This story is about the writer of one of those letters.

Mr. Aimone wrote several times, asking for tracts, a New Testament, information. It became so evident that he was sincerely interested that Mr. Crabb and Rev. Nando Camellini, secretary of the Italian Baptist Union, decided they would make the long trip to visit him.

They arrived at his house one Sunday around 12:30 p.m. After hesitating a few moments about going in at dinner time, they decided to make an appointment to talk with Mr. Aimone that afternoon.

A girl of about 12 answered the doorbell and invited them in. They explained they didn't want to disturb the family lunch and would just make an appointment for later. But the girl repeated her invitation, and they followed her to the kitchen.

Four people were sitting at the kitchen table, an open New Testament in front of each. They were having their daily devotional period, begun through the encouragement of the radio broadcasts of Baptists and others.

When Mr. Crabb and Mr. Camellini told this story, they say they stood on holy ground that day!

Former Texas Worker Dies

FORT WORTH (BP) — Funeral Services were held here for A. B. Culbertson, 74, former executive vice-president of the Baptist Foundation of Texas.

Culbertson, a veteran law-enforcement officer, died May 4 after a long illness at his home.

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

May 29 — Pauline Davis, librarian, Clarke College; Tommy King, Waltham association Sunday school supt.; Mrs. C. E. Tosh, WMU vice-president, District III.

May 21 — Ivor Clark, Christian Action Commission; Mrs. Dorothy Brown, registrar, Gilroy School of Nursing.

May 22 — Ulvie Fitts, Itawamba Junior College Baptist student director; Roy Gholston, Itawamba association Training Union director.

May 23 — Arthur H. Leslie, Lafayette — Marshall supt. of missions; David Gruchy, Carey College faculty.

May 24 — Zadeen Walton, Baptist Foundation; Dan C. Hall, secretary, state Music Department.

May 25 — Mrs. Vashti Lewis, Blue Mountain College faculty; Mrs. Omeria Lynn, Baptist Book Store.

May 26 — Ollie Mae Reeves, Children's Village staff; Kenneth T. Rainey, Mississippi College faculty.

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A MATTER OF ATTITUDE

By Dr. Charles Myers

Have you ever considered what an important part attitude plays in life? In reality, your attitude toward a situation is going to do to you.

The majority of situations cannot be changed. The way we react to those situations is what affects us. And what we are inside, determines our attitude to the situation.

You have seen little people come up to a particular problem and pop off saying things which they thought made them look big and sound important. The reason for this is they are insecure, the problem is bigger than they are. They put on a false front, try to act big and try to impress themselves and others about them that they are bigger than the problem. You have seen other people face the same problem and instead of popping off they have quietly but firmly addressed themselves to the situation. These people were fully aware of the size of the problem. They were equally aware of their own limitations. They simply stood up and admitted the whole thing and went about adjusting themselves to it. You knew by the way they reacted they were big people. You also knew that while the little person was trying to deceive the world, the big person was going to solve the problem. Neither would probably be able to change the situation, but the big person would adapt himself to it.

God in love stands to say in a courteous but firm way that the wages of sin is death. By this God means that when sin comes into our life the end result will be death. Just like a man gets paid for the work he does, he will be paid for the sin he commits. The payment will be death. This death is spiritual. Like physical death separates from those who are alive, spiritual death separates from God. The person who sins is going to be paid the full wage promised.

The little person comes face to face with this and reacts according to his nature. He declares the situation is unfair. He blames God for the



New Books

A WINDOW ON THE MOUNTAIN by Winston and Winnie Pearce (Broadman, 148 pp., \$4.50)

This is a thrilling and beautiful new book on the joys of reading and the glories of literature and its spiritual values. J. Winston Pearce is professor of preaching at Golden

Gate Seminary. His wife has moved thousands at assemblies and other meetings with her account of what books have meant to her. They point out in this book that "in every life there are walls and mountains... that shut out the beauty, truth, purpose... but it is possible to cut windows, and different ways have been found to do this. One of the ways is reading... The services of books may be stated in this way: to expand horizons, to multiply experiences, and to subdue unworthy instincts and emotions... books broaden our outlook, deepen our insight, heighten our sympathies, and give length to our hopes, and aspirations."

A STUDY GUIDE TO BIBLE PRAYERS by Marjorie Soderholm (Baker, paperback, 71 pp., \$1.50)

The first unit in this book consists of eight prayers recorded in the Bible, chosen because each demonstrates an aspect of prayer, such as petition, thanksgiving, confidence, or humility. The second unit includes four prayers. It is concerned with deepening one's ability to study the prayers of the Bible.

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RESPONDS TO WINDHAM

Dear Dr. Odle:

I would like to take this opportunity to commend you on the fairness and open-mindedness of the Baptist Record. Your open-mindedness was shown in your handling of the letter titled "Christ's Cause" written by Rev. V. C. Windham in the May 2nd issue. This letter reflects an attitude which I feel must be corrected by educating ourselves to the truth of the New Testament.

There are many points of the letter to which I feel compelled to respond; yet I will do so to only a few.

The letter states that "... confusion increases when our own Baptist Record carried the news releases from the Baptist Press: 'SBC Leaders Deplore King Assassination.' " I ask: What is so confusing when our Baptist publications state in a clear and positive manner that they deplore a murder? This statement makes clear to me that our publications are saying what the New Testament teaches—that love must overcome hate!

As shown by the following quote, the author of the letter also implies that Dr. King led people to burn, loot, and murder. He writes, "To lead people to demonstrate, burn, loot, and murder, these the requirements to win the Nobel Peace Prize?" Dr. King never encouraged people to burn, loot, or murder. By his leadership he encouraged people to demonstrate and to bring to the attention of the world the state of the American Negro. If it had not been for the leadership of Dr. King, we white people would still have the Negro sitting in the back of the public buses. Dr. King pointed out our hypocrisy and doing so cost him his life.

The letter also stated that "... opposition, to local, State, and Federal laws, has grown daily since 1954." I would like to ask if opposition to these laws has not grown daily since 1950 or 1940 or 1920? Why does the author single out 1954? Does he imply that the desegregation decision led to an increase in crime?

Rev. Windham states, "I do

not know what tomorrow will bring, but I do know who holds all of the tomorrows, it is God." I do know what tomorrow holds if we as Baptists do not recognize the problems which face us! We must take to positive action! Not only must we meet our spiritual needs but we must, at the same time, meet our physical needs. We must see that we cannot go on preaching one thing and living another. If we don't face our Christian responsibilities to the WHOLE man, then our society will see the church as an organization interested only in ministering to itself. The church is called to minister to the world—not to minister to itself!

Rev. Windham encourages us to "... take a stand like Moses..." I contend that Dr. King was a modern Moses leading his people out of servitude and despair. Most of us Baptists have sinned a great sin by remaining quiet and placid generation after generation while our Negro neighbors have been held captive by our prejudices.

May we look deeply into our souls and seek these prejudices to cast them away. May we, with God's help, replace them with the love Jesus showed toward all mankind.

Sincerely,
A. B. Short, Jr.
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3939 Gentilly Blvd.
New Orleans, La. 70126

AGREES WITH WINDHAM

Dear Dr. Odle:

I don't know if you can or will print this, but I just had to write and say "Amen" and "Thank God" for a man like Rev. V. C. Windham, pastor of 38th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg. I am in full agreement with what he wrote in the Baptist Record concerning Dr. King. There are many more pastors who feel the same way. I think now is the time to express their feelings just as Rev. Windham has done. I also thank God for a man like you, Dr. Odle, who is not afraid of printing the truth.

Sincerely,
A. R. Garrison, Pastor
Phillipston Baptist Church
Sidon, Mississippi

COMMENTS HENSLEY

Dear Dr. Odle:

Please let me use space in the Baptist Record publicly to commend Dr. J. Clark Hensley for an excellent job in leading a Family Life Conference in our church area. I am grateful for this opportunity, and I am grateful too that we have the Christian Action Commission and especially its Executive Director, Dr. J. Clark Hensley.

Most cordially yours,
John G. McCall
First Baptist, Vicksburg

House Prayer Group Names Head

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — Representative Graham Purcell (D-Tex.) was elected president of the House members' prayer breakfast. He succeeds Ben Reifel (R-S.D.). The non-denominational group meets at 8 a. m. every Thursday for Scripture readings, breakfast, and a short testimonial or summary of a religious experience by a House member.

Court Refuses To Rule On Miami's 'Christmas Cross'

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — Is it an establishment of religion to place a lighted cross atop a public building at Christmas time or is it just a friendly way for the community to say "Merry Christmas" to its residents?

The U. S. Supreme Court has left the question unanswered. It refused to render a decision on a case brought by a Florida atheist who holds that such an act does render the Christian faith an actual advantage at government expense.

Nishan Paul, an airline mechanic, claimed that when public officials place a lighted cross atop the Dade County Court House in Miami they are playing "religious favorites."

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from its membership. Seven young men have been licensed to preach, with several others

The spirit of our church has soared to new heights as more and more of our people have begun to practice the Bible plan of church finances; i.e., ten per cent of our income (the tithe) belongs to God.

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Grenada, Rev. William Oakley pastor, recently completed **GROWTH IN CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP**. The largest amount ever pledged toward a budget was \$300.00. This year the church committed itself to over \$900.00 weekly. Fifteen new families began tithing. Shown are (L.) Rev. Clarence Cartell of the Stewardship Department, and Rev. Oakley, pastor.

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Hattiesburg Church Ordains Former Hindu From Trinidad

By Fitz McCoy
Hattiesburg-American
A career in active Christianity that began 11 years ago in a small church in Trinidad reached another high point the night of April 24 in Hattiesburg when Frank Ramnarine was ordained into the gospel ministry at University Baptist Church.

Ramnarine, 34, who spent his early years in the Hindu religion, will graduate May 25 from William Carey College.

He is a native of Princess Town, Trinidad, West Indies, and his family originally was from India.

The road to ordination and a college degree has not been easy. That he has persevered in it, in fact, is a testament to the deep faith he found that night in Trinidad.

By his account, he was a confused young man, estranged from all religion, when it happened.

He had renounced the Hindu faith, and for some two years "there was no God as far as I was concerned." His renunciation of Hinduism was triggered by an experience connected with the death of an uncle. "He believed he was going to be reincarnated and come back as a chicken. I had to reject that."

A Chinese family, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lee, invited Frank to attend prayer services one night at a small interdenominational Christian church near Princess Town run by a Canadian missionary, Rev. Larry Ulseth.

"I went along in response to their invitation, mainly out of curiosity," says Ramnarine. It was a decision that changed his life.

Ramnarine does not try to put his intense conversion experience of that night into words, except to say, "From the moment of my salvation,

I have been an evangelist for Christ."

He subsequently joined a Baptist Church in Princess Town. He worked for a number of years—at 16 cents an hour—and lived in a small shack he had built himself. Finally, he was sent to the United States by a Southern Baptist missionary, Emit O. Ray.

He arrived in Florida in 1963 and studied until 1966 at the Baptist Bible Institute at Graceville. From there, he came to Carey College in the fall of 1966.

He has been in great demand as a speaker in this area, and has supported himself through work scholarships and speaking engagements. He is a member of University Baptist Church.

This chronology of events can be summed up neatly in two or three paragraphs, but that isn't the way it was. For one thing, renunciation of Hinduism and embracing the Christian faith meant complete alienation and isolation from his family.

There have been times of deep poverty. (He arrived in Florida with no money, two pairs of pants, and one shirt.)

There have been many other difficulties—a language problem, culture differences, adjustment to new standards. But if anything, these have only served to strengthen the dedication of Frank Ramnarine.

And these experiences no doubt have served to shape his view of what Christianity should mean.

"People need to sacrifice more," he says. "Christians are not sacrificing enough."

"We must rededicate our lives afresh and anew to Jesus."

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DR. GRAHAM HALE, JR., pastor of University Church, Hattiesburg, with Frank Ramnarine (right), who was ordained into gospel ministry at University Church, on April 24. Ramnarine will graduate from William Carey College on May 25. (Photo by Jim Hanson, Carey photographer.)



"MAN'S SEARCH FOR GOD"

Expected to become one of the most talked about exhibits in the Baptist Pavilion is the seven-foot sculpture of the figure of a man searching for God. It has become a part of "Man's Search For God," theme of the Baptist Pavilion. Its creator is Al Kidwell of Dallas who describes his work as "an assemblage." Shown with the exhibit is Miss Linda Francis of the Radio-Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. —Jerry Pate Photo

Carey College Chooses Commencement Speakers

Two outstanding Mississippi personalities have been asked to participate as speakers for the 1968 graduating class of William Carey College. They are Rev. J. L. Taylor and Dr. W. D. McCain.

One hundred and seventy-six seniors are expected to be awarded their bachelor degrees on Saturday, May 25, at commencement exercises scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Baccalaureate services will be held at 10:00 a.m. the same day.

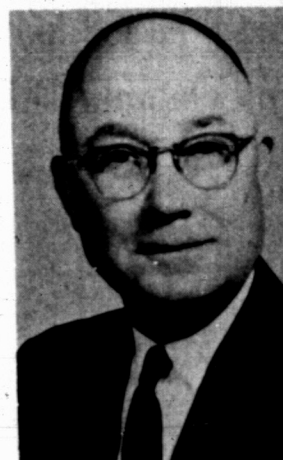
Rev. Johnny Lee Taylor, pastor of First Church, Canton, will deliver the baccalaureate address. A former trustee of William Carey College, he holds the degree from Southern Seminary. Prior to his position at Canton, he was pastor of Drew Church. Other pastorates include the South Fork Church, Hodgenville, Kentucky, and Concord Church, Bentonla. He is married to the former Delores Slay of Crystal Springs, and the couple has three children.

The many positions which he has held include the following: President, Mississippi Alumni of Southern Seminary, 1962; Trustee, William Carey College, 1961-1967; President, Drew Parent-Teacher Association; Member of the Board of Directors, Madison County Chapter of the American Red Cross; Member of the Board of Directors, Canton Rotary Club; Moderator, Madison Baptist Association; Member of the Advisory Board of The Baptist Record.

East Central Junior College, Copiah-Lincoln Junior College, Millsaps College, the University of Mississippi, Duke University and in the extension department of Mississippi State University.

He was a historian at Morristown National Historical Park, Morristown, New Jersey; Assistant Archivist at the National Archives, Washington, D. C.; and served as Director of the Mississippi State Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi, from January 1, 1938 to July 31, 1955.

In 1924 Dr. McCain enlisted as a private in the National Guard. He served in the army during World War II, the Korean Police Action, and at the present time, holds the rank of Major General (retired).



Dr. W. D. McCain

He is married to the former Minnie Leicester Lenz, of Greenville, and they have two children: William David McCain, Jr., and Patricia McCain Dyar. The McCains have four grandchildren.

Dr. McCain is active in the religious, civic, and social affairs of his community and state. He is a deacon at First Baptist Church in Hattiesburg.

On August 1, 1955, he was appointed to the position which he now holds as President of the University of Southern Mississippi.



Rev. J. L. Taylor

1964-1967; and a member of the Pioneer Missions Committee, Mississippi Baptist Convention, 1964 to the present. Dr. William D. McCain, president of the University of Southern Mississippi, will bring the commencement address.

A native Mississippian, Dr. McCain was born at Bellefontaine. Being educated in Mississippi's public schools, he graduated from Sunflower Agricultural High School, Delta State College, and the University of Mississippi. In 1935 he received his Ph.D. in history from Duke University.

His educational experience includes teaching at the following colleges:

Retired Cuban Missionary, Jose Silva, Dies

ATLANTA (BP) — Jose B. Silva, a retired Southern Baptist missionary to Cuba and the former president of a Cuban college, died here at the age of 71.

A native of Havana, Cuba, Silva attended high school and Jose Marti College in Mantanzas, becoming a teacher and finally president and owner of the college he attended.

He first came to the United States in 1908 and began working with Texas Baptists several years later. In 1911, he was appointed as career missionary by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Nothing Good To Say About Alcohol

By Tal D. Bonham, Pastor
South Side Baptist Church
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

In Civilization on Trial, Arnold Toynbee said, "Out of 21 civilizations preceding this one, 19 of them have been destroyed by a mixture of atheism, materialism, socialism, and alcoholism." When asked recently if he had changed his mind about Western civilization, this great British historian said, "Only this, it looks now as if the American way of life is drunkenness. If your people continue the present increase of drunkenness, nothing can save you from destruction. History is altogether against you."

Is there any thing good that can be said about alcoholic beverages? No! Who can defend liquor by the drink, package, bottle, can, or barrel? Shakespeare said, "Alcohol is a poison men take into the mouth to steal away the brain."

Abraham Lincoln described alcohol as a "cancer in human society, eating out its vitals and threatening its destruction."

Thomas Edison surmised, "Alcohol in the body is like putting sand in the workings of an engine. It doesn't belong."

Robert Hall called it, "distilled damnation" and Lord Chesterfield described liquor

as "an artist in human destruction."

No wonder General Pershing said, "Drunkenness has killed more men than all of history's wars."

In Yokohama, Japan, a few years ago, a man was delivering newspapers after having a few drinks. A dog barked at him. He opened the gate, caught the dog, and bit him. It took two policemen to pull the man and the dog apart. Can anything good be said about something that can cause a man to bite a dog or a man to beat his wife or a man and a woman to deprive their children of the basic necessities of life?

I am sorry to say that many

people find an excuse for drinking in the Bible. Some say, "The Bible teaches moderation or temperance but it does not teach total abstinence."

Yes, the Bible does say, "Be temperate in all things" (1 Corinthians 9:25). But have you ever read the verses preceding and following this verse? The Apostle Paul was drawing an analogy from the Isthmian games which were held near Corinth every two years. He challenges the Corinthian to be as hard as the runner who strives to qualify for the main race.

His word, "temperate," means to practice abstinence in bodily appetites! No half-hearted, slothful, drunken attitude is expressed here! In this passage, the Apostle Paul speaks of running, keeping in shape, and striving for a goal. Does this sound like the temperance of a social drinker? It is interesting to notice that the same Apostle Paul in the same book of the Bible included the drunkard in some terrible company when he said, "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God" (1 Corinthians 6:9-10).

The cry for open drinking in every state is Revenue! Revenue! Revenue! Revenue! Where are the statesmen of William E. Gladstone's caliber? He said to the Parliament on one occasion, "Gentlemen, you need not give yourselves any trouble about revenue. The question of revenue must never, never stand in the way of needed reforms; but give me a sober population, not wasting their earnings in strong drink, and I shall know where to obtain the revenue."

In Massachusetts, the state

officials found that for every dollar collected in liquor revenue, the state spends at least five times that amount on increased crime, broken homes, juvenile delinquency and absenteeism from jobs. Abraham Lincoln seems to be the patriot saint of some politicians. They have a lot of good things to say about him at the annual Lincoln Day dinners. But I have not yet heard Lincoln's following quotation repeated: "The legalization of liquor is morally, socially, and politically wrong."

The cry for a clear-cut mixed drink bill in every state is Hypocrisy! Hypocrisy! Hypocrisy! For some reason, political leaders conclude that a state is being hypocritical because it does not enforce its liquor laws. But who are the real hypocrites? The Christian people who deplore liquor in any form are not the hypocrites! The hypocrites are those who refuse to enforce the law and push for increased drinking in the interest of the liquor industry!

The Annual Review of the Distilled Spirits Industry says that, with a mixed drink bill, a state consumes 67% more alcohol by the drink than it does by the bottle. And it costs more too! One buys it by the fifth for about \$5.00. By the drink, he may pay as much as \$1.00 a shot or \$20.00 a fifth.

At one time, Iowa was a "package" state. It is now a "liquor by the drink" state. The average yearly liquor bill in Iowa for three years before and three years after the mixed drink bill was passed jumped from 44½ million dollars to \$4 million dollars.

It is hypocritical to license one to sell that which will make another drunk and then punish the man who gets drunk! It is hypocritical to license one to sell that which causes some to become paupers, criminals, and inmates in mental institutions while taxing sober people for their support! It is hypocritical to license saloons to breed vice and collect taxes for schools to teach virtue! It is hypocritical to support an enemy which killed, in two years after Pearl Harbor, more Americans than did the Germans and Japanese combined! It is hypocritical to pray at church on Sunday for God's blessings on our nation and go to the polls during the week to vote for our nation's enemy!

Big Barbecue For RAs

The chuck wagon supper planned for Southern Baptist boys attending the Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress, Aug. 13-15 in Oklahoma City may be the world's largest barbecue. About 10,000 Royal Ambassadors are expected to attend the congress.

Girls' Auxiliary Focus Week, May 12-18



FIVE QUEENS REGENT, FOUR QUEENS WITH SCEPTER, THREE QUEENS, seven Princesses, three Ladies-in-Waiting, and four Maidens were recognized at the G. A. Coronation Service held at First Church, Carthage, last year. The auxiliary is sponsored by the Edwina Robinson and Bertha Smith WMU Circles, with Mrs. Eley Miller as GA director. The girls advance in rank as they complete requirements in Bible study, missionary reading, research, handwork, and missionary service. Recognized as Queens and receiving crowns and charms were Jacki Joiner, Amy Peoples, and Wanda Wubanks. Those presented as Queens-with-Scepter were Jill Knight, Jamie Peoples, Kay Peoples and Cindy Strong. They were given scepters and charms. Attaining the rank of Queen Regents, the next to the highest step in GA's, were Debi Bailey, Brenda Ellis, Norma Hardage, Mitsy Jones and Barbara Roberts. The Queens Regents were presented capes and charms. Rev. Kenneth Roberts is pastor.



THE FIRST TIME that State Line Church, at State Line, ever had a G. A. Coronation Service was in 1967. Those who participated were, above, left to right: Mrs. Robert Lee, De Wanda Lee, Sherry Hartley, Sheila Hartley, Ruthie Williams, Connie Heathcock, and Mrs. Delmar Williams. Rev. Fred Trexler, Jr. is the pastor. (The Baptist Record has chosen the above pictures as representative of all the many, many churches which had G. A. Coronations during the past year. Due to limited space, such photos are used only once a year, and that during G. A. Focus Week each May.)



Calhoun City's Handbell Choir To Go On Tour Days Of May 23-26

The Handbell Choir of First Church, Calhoun City, under the direction of Mrs. Bill R. Baker, will go on tour May 23-26. Their schedule is as follows: Thursday, May 23, 12:15, WDAM Television, Hattiesburg; Thursday night, Morrison Heights Church, Clinton; Friday morning, May 24, 9:00, Baptist Building, Jackson; (The choir will also tape a television appearance for WLBT while in Jackson.) Friday Night, Magnolia Street Church, Laurel; Saturday, visit to New Orleans; Sunday morning, May 26, First Church, Columbia; Sunday night, May 26, First Church, Brookhaven.

Rev. Bill R. Baker is pastor at Calhoun City.



Demonstration Day Held "Day Of The Big Snow"

McLAURIN HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH, Jackson, recently completed GROWTH IN CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP. Rev. J. C. Renfro is pastor. "We had Demonstration Day the day of the big snow. The last two months have been the best in the history of our church. We sent our two largest checks to the Cooperative World Missions Program since the Campaign. The response from our people has been excellent," Rev. Renfro said.

Van Winkle Church, Jackson. To Celebrate 30th Anniversary

The Van Winkle Church, Jackson, will hold special services Sunday, May 19.

The 11:00 o'clock service will be conducted by Rev. H. A. Milner, pastor since 1945. The charter members will be recognized during this service with special music by the Van Winkle ensemble active during the early days of the church. Other special music will be presented by the choir under the direction of Eddie Hebert, music director.

Immediately following the morning service, dinner on the ground will be served with charter members as guests. Following the dinner a special music program will be presented by various groups at the picnic area.

Regular night services with Training Union at 6:15, and evening worship at 7:30.

History

On the night of May 10, 1938, the Van Winkle Church was organized. Rev. Bryan Simmons served as moderator of the meeting. Rev. Charles McKay preached the first sermon to the group as a church. Fifty-four joined themselves together as a church.

The church has assisted in the organization of four other churches.

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Tuesday, July 16, Leave Abilene for Carlsbad and then
El Paso, overnight. El Paso
Wednesday, July 17, Leave El Paso for Albuquerque
and Santa Fe, overnight. Santa Fe
Thursday, July 18, Leave Santa Fe for Taos and then
to Glorieta. Glorieta
Wednesday, July 24, Leave Glorieta for Wichita Falls.
Texas, overnight. Wichita Falls
Thursday, July 25, Leave Wichita Falls to Jackson,
arriving late in the afternoon.

COST

Bus Fare	\$ 60
Glorieta	47
Registration	3
Motels en route	25
	\$135

Optional Trips

Carlsbad Caverns	\$1.50
Tour of Juarez	3.00
	\$4.50

The only additional expenses will be for meals en route. In order to reserve space, send \$3.00 registration for each person wanting to attend to Marjean Patterson, Box 530, Jackson, Miss. 39205.



White Cross materials, sent by Mississippi WMU, is being unpacked at the Baptist Hospital in Asuncion, Paraguay.

Training Union Conference Leaders Training Union Week

JULY 29-AUGUST 2

"A WEEK DESIGNED WITH ADULTS IN MIND"



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Jimmy Crowe and Miss LaVerne Ashby of the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, are among the group of outstanding Training Union specialists who will be leading conferences at Gulf-shore for Training Union Week.

Mr. Crowe is responsible for developing the new Leadership Training Program and producing materials needed for this expanded concept of the ministry of training. Miss Ashby is consultant in Primary work and is the author of THE PRIMARY LEADERSHIP MANUAL which is used throughout the nation as the text for primary workers in Training Union.

Other conference leaders for the week include: LAWSON PANKEY, Associate, Virginia Training Union Department, Richmond, Virginia; MISS MICKEY MARTIN, Director of Elementary Work Kentucky Training Union Department; MRS. WRIGHT GELLERSTEDT, Approved Young People's Worker Atlanta, Georgia; MRS. DOT HAMMATT, Approved Junior Worker Tennessee Training Union Department; MRS. EARL BAILEY, Approved Intermediate Worker, Florida Training Union Department; MRS. HAROLD ST GEMME, Approved Nursery Worker Mississippi Training Union Department.

NEW PROSPECT WMU LADIES GIVE SOCKS TO VILLAGE

The Mary Magdalene Circle of Woman's Missionary Union of New Prospect Church, Lincoln County, remembered the boys and girls of the Baptist Children's Village at Easter with a gift of a generous supply of socks.

They received the following letter from Paul Nunnery, Village superintendent: "This is to acknowledge your recent gift of socks which you may be certain we will be using to the highest and best inter-

est of our boys and girls. The thoughtful manner in which loyal friends of children such as you continue to support our mission task with little ones is sincerely appreciated. We trust that you will receive a real blessing in the knowledge that you have been of material assistance in our efforts, to provide a home for these children, and more importantly perhaps, in an effort to fit them for a return to life in a stable private home."

BMC OPENS ART EXHIBIT

Blue Mountain College is pleased to announce that the "Spring Student Art Exhibition" is now open to the public and will remain so through May 21.

The colorful Exhibition which represents each principal art media includes works of 43 talented art students, whose classes are taught and paintings have been completed under the direction of Miss Mary E. Crenshaw, Head of the Art Department of the

Tahitian bouquets say "Peace". Eloquently spoken, their bouquets are adorned with water lilies balanced by Tahitian spinach leaves.

As for the future, Frank has both his target and his target date set.

He will enroll this fall at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

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Names In The News

Rev. Shalley Vaughn has accepted a call from Barefoot Springs Church, Rankin County. The church has gone full-time. Mr. Vaughn is teaching at Pearl - McLaurin Junior High School.

Dr. Jerry Robinson, a former assistant pastor at First Church, Brookhaven, has received a \$176,898.00 grant from the National Institute of Mental Health, U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare for a three year study of "Mental Health of Teachers and School Desegregation." The research will be conducted at Houston Baptist College, where Robinson is currently assistant professor in sociology. Dr. Robinson received his Ph.D. from Mississippi State in 1966.

Miss Adell Miles has accepted the position as director of education for the Four Mile Creek Church, Jackson County.

Hattiesburg — — —

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sus Christ. We must not use Him merely as a means to an end, or as a convenience when we need Him. We must act and live to show that God is alive, not dead.

"We must live our lives in order that other people may come to have life abundant. Even if it means losing our own life."

Things are working out for Frank, and he is confident that God will continue to make a way.

One great source of consolation came when some missionary friends wrote him that his mother, who still lives in Princess Town, has become a Christian. She began attending a Baptist Church when Frank came to the U. S. Also, his grandfather was converted to Christianity just five days before he died.

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Bill Bailey is the new minister of music for the McArthur Street Church, Jackson County.

Dr. J. D. Grey on Sunday, May 5, marked the 31st anniversary of his pastorate at First Church, New Orleans, La.

Rev. Charles Compton, missionary to Brazil; Dr. Foy Rogers, secretary, Cooperative Missions Department, Miss. Baptist Convention Board; Rev. J. W. Brister, Gulf Coast supt. of missions; and Rev. G. A. Nichols, missionary to Paraguay, were missionary speakers last week at First Church, Tupelo. Rev. Samuel G. Shepard, pastor.



L. M. Dorr

TO RECEIVE DOCTORATE

Luther M. Dorr, pastor of Bassfield Church, Bassfield, recently completed his graduate resident requirements in the Department of Preaching at the New Orleans Seminary. He will receive the Doctor of Theology degree May 17, at the spring graduation exercises. The topic for his doctoral dissertation was "A Critique of the Preaching of William Edwin Robert Sangster."

Mr. Dorr is a native of Sardis, having been raised in the Hebron Church and the Sardis Church. He is the son of Audley Dorr of Batesville and Mrs. Frank Cowser of Courtland. His education was received at Sardis High School, Clarke College, Mississippi College, and New Orleans Seminary. Ordained October 30, 1955 by the Sardis Church, Mr. Dorr served as an assistant in the Ruleville Church, and as pastor of New County Line Church, State Line, Waggonville Church, Waggonville, Alabama; and as Superintendent of Missions for Washington Association, Chatham, Alabama; and Copiah - Lincoln Associations, Brookhaven. He has served the Bassfield Church for the past 3 1/2 years. While attending the seminary he served as a Graduate Fellow in the Department of Missions.

Mr. Dorr is married to the former Nell Hatchett of Grand Bay, Alabama. The Dorr's have two children, Rusty and David.

Morrison Heights To Observe 10th Birthday

Members of Clinton's Morrison Heights Church are busy making plans for observing the 10th anniversary of the church, on June 9. A full day's activity, including "dinner on the church grounds," is being planned. Over 200 former members of the church have been notified and invited to return for the observance. Pastor Charles Gentry will be assisted in the day's preaching program by Rev. Jack Butler, who served as the congregation's first pastor. Several other early leaders will be on hand to offer their talents toward making the day a blessing to all who attend.

All members, former members and friends of the church are invited. There will be preaching services at 8:30 a. m., 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Also the Sunday school will meet at 9:45 a. m. and Training Union at 6:15 p. m. A special program featuring church history and growth will be held immediately following "dinner on the church grounds."

REVIVAL RESULTS

EMMANUEL, Biloxi: 33 by profession of faith and baptism; three by profession of faith; 8 by transfer of membership; and many public rededications. Preaching: Dr. Joe T. Odle, editor, Baptist Record; leading music: Roy Bridell, minister of music, Emmanuel; pastor, Rev. Justus L. Garrett.

Colonial Heights, Jackson: April 28-May 5; Rev. S. B. Mason, Jr., pastor-evangelist; R. L. and Beth Sigrest, music evangelists; twelve professions of faith, ten additions by letter; five commitments for a purpose.

Immanuel, Vicksburg: April 21-May 5; Rev. Jay Wimberly, Orlando, Florida, evangelist; Bob Miller, Olga, Florida, singer; Rev. H. J. Rushing, pastor; 36 professions of faith; ten additions by letter and statement; many rededications.

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LORD'S SUPPER TELECAST FROM BRAZIL

For the first time in the state of Pernambuco, and possibly in all Brazil, the Lord's Supper was televised from a Baptist church on April 12. Cordeiro Baptist Church, second largest Baptist church in Recife, Pernambuco, was granted 50 minutes by a local station for a telecast of its annual Good Friday observance of the Lord's Supper.

Approximately 1,000 people filled the church auditorium, and the overflow crowd watched the service on TV sets in two other rooms. People who had never attended before got word that the service would be televised and came to see firsthand.



Highland, Meridian, Organizes Melodica Band

Highland Church, Meridian, has recently organized a Melodica Band. The Melodica is a woodwind instrument; the keys duplicate those of the piano keyboard. The students purchase their own instruments and are grouped into two areas: Melodica Band No. 1 (beginners) and Melodica Band No. 2 (those who have had keyboard experience). These bands play for the regular worship service, the Prelude, Offertory, Postlude, and often accompany congregational singing. The members of this group are taken from the junior department (ages 9-12). This gives the juniors an excellent opportunity to participate in the worship service and familiarizes them with the piano keyboard. James B. McElroy is the director of this group, assisted by Mrs. Edith Steed. Rev. Jack Elliott is pastor.

The Sunday School Lesson

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON—

The Duty Of All Men

By Clifton J. Allen
Ecclesiastes 5: 12

The book of Ecclesiastes is perplexing and is easily misunderstood. This book seems to set forth a pessimistic and cynical view of life. The writer seems to say that "God's ways are impossible to understand." Admittedly, there are no easy solutions to life's problems. But he comes to a positive conclusion at the end of chapter 12 by declaring that man's duty is to fear God and keep his commandments. Man is a steward of life and is accountable to God.

The Lesson Explained
Sincerity In Worship
Verses 1-3

The reverential fear of God, finding expression in sincerity in worship, is man's first duty. When we go to the house of God, we are to guard our steps or consider our motives and purposes. We are to go with willingness to receive instruction, with eagerness to hear what God would speak to us. This is better than "to give the sacrifice of fools," better than to give anything without humility of spirit and sincerity of heart. It is foolish to think of worship almost wholly in terms of human expression—singing, praying, preaching, and giving. Worship involves listening, reverently thinking of the holiness of God, and recognizing that what God would say by way of rebuke or forgiveness of instruction or commandment or consolation.

Honesty With God
Verses 4-7

Life cannot be separated from worship. Vows to God should be paid promptly. But this includes much more than paying up pledges of money, though this is exceedingly important. Vows with respect to one's conduct and service must be paid by the way he lives and the work he does for the Lord. A promise should not be made without intention to fulfill it. This is no excuse for not making worthy vows to obey and serve the Lord or to give money for the Lord's work. Excuses and pretenses ought not to be offered for not keeping one's vow by claiming that it was a mistake to make it. In this way one's

mouth leads him into the sin of lying. These verses encourage integrity and fidelity in one's relationship with God. And such honesty toward God needs to be related to doing what is right in every area of personal conduct.

Concern For Others
Verses 8-9

Man's duty includes responsibility toward other persons. There will be oppression of the poor and perversion of justice. Much of this is caused by greed and covetousness. The right-thinking person recognizes injustice but is not indifferent to it. While one official will be accountable to a higher official, and that official to one higher still, every person has a responsibility to be concerned for the welfare of other persons.

Work
Verses 10-12

One of God's first commands relates to work. The purpose of work is not primarily to accumulate money and wealth. It is really foolish for anyone to make money the goal of life. A person is never satisfied, if gain is his goal. The increase of money leads to the increase of responsibility. There is much more happiness in hard work and simple living than in the abundance of wealth with worry and striving for gain. The man who works to earn a living, though his income be small, can sleep without anxiety. But the rich person, loving money for money's sake, will find that anxiety will

be needful—and is a sacred duty—as a part of man's responsibility for support of himself and his family.

Truths To Live By
Worldly achievements and values are vain and empty.

The writer of Ecclesiastes learned this truth. Joy and pleasure, of the right sort and controlled by Christian values, are wholesome and helpful. But when they are self-centered, springing chiefly from that which is fleshly and sensual, when they partake of the spirit of the world, they become empty and sinful. Personal achievement and popularity, when they are ends in themselves, cultivate selfishness and pride and turn out to be void of enduring satisfaction. Achievement and prominence are worthy goals when they are accepted as a trust

LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM—

Relationship In Christian

Life And Work

By Bill Duncan
John 14: 8-31

Is it necessary for Christ to be with us in flesh and blood for there to exist a relationship of great Christian experience? This was what was puzzling the disciples. They wanted to know the way and to see the Father also. God, who was always with them, is the one they wanted to see. To see Jesus is to see what God is like. Our way to great faith is the way pointed out to Philip. Listen to Him and look at Him. The personal impact will compel us to believe. This relationship that had been between the disciples and Jesus was to be sustained by the Holy Spirit.

Relationship Based Upon
Obedience

To the writer of John there is only one test of love, and that is obedience. It is by our obedience to His teaching that we show our love. This is a rare kind of love because this is not an easy kind of love.

The Christian life is not an easy kind of life to lead. Therefore, Christ sent us the Holy Spirit to help us do what is right. One of the important tasks of the Holy Spirit is to take our inadequacies and enable us to live a victorious

life. The word translated comforter is a hard word to describe. The word is translated helper, by Moffatt. The real meaning is "one who is called in." The reason why the one is called in gives the significance to the word. The one could be called in to give advice, to give witness as in a court, to plead a cause, to give help in time of trouble, and to enable one to be brave. The true meaning of the word describes one who more than sympathizes, for He enables. For truly He enables us to live a life that is described by obedience. The life with a good relationship to God is one that is truly Christian.

The Relationship To The
Holy Spirit

The disciples must have begun to feel alone. For the

and responsibility to glorify Christ.

A cynical view of life is false and futile—"Vanity of vanities; all is vanity." This is a false view of life. Many goals and values, for which people strive, are vain and empty. But this is not true of life as a whole. If a person looks at life as a hopeless riddle, if his perspective focuses chiefly on human frailty and perversity and capacity for brutality, or if he thinks primarily of social injustice and the baffling mysteries of providence, he will decide that life is a futile striving after wind; and he will be enveloped in despair. There are cloudy days, but the sun still shines. There is war and strife, but there is the fact of peace. There is something of the savage and the beast in human nature, but man can become a saint through the grace of God. Millions of persons are blighted by persecution and poverty, but the lives of millions of persons show the beauty of generosity and declare the reality of Christian love.

promise of Jesus was given, I will not leave you as orphans. For He would be coming back. Many feel that He refers to the resurrection and others to the Second Coming. However one feels about the coming Christ, he knows the promise of the Spirit will be present to take care of the disciples. This speaks of ultimate safety. The orphans will not be alone, for one will come and care for them.

The relationship of love and obedience will bring a fuller and fuller revelation. It is the one who loves Jesus that receives a fuller revelation. No evil man can ever receive the revelation of God. Judas is an example of this. The word of the Holy Spirit is a word of instruction and reminding. The Holy Spirit is able to use the experience of life to illustrate and to remind us of His teaching. Fellowship with God and the revelation of God are dependent upon love. The more we love God the more we will be able to understand God. The Holy Spirit will also give us understanding about what we are to do in conduct. In the moments of testing, the Holy Spirit brings to us the memory of the things we never should forget.

The relationship to the Holy Spirit brings us peace. This peace is everything that makes for the highest good. The peace of the world is a peace of escape. This is the peace that no experience can take away. This does not depend upon circumstances, but one relationship.

This relationship is very necessary if our lives are to be characterized by "life from above" and work that expresses life. The Holy Spirit is our help in living the right kind of life. The Holy Spirit is the one who enables us to do the greater works which He promised. Our life and our work are dependent upon our relationship to God. We can be thankful that Jesus sent us the Holy Spirit to be the assurance of the right relationship to Him.

Co-Lin Elects

BSU Officers

Mark Whittington of Harrisville is the new BSU president for 1968-69 at Copiah-Lincoln Junior College.

Phill Martin of New Hebron was chosen first vice-president with Milton Murray of Natchez as second vice president.

Chosen secretary was Rhonda Wilson of Brookhaven. Worship chairman selected was Jeanie Shorter of Harrisville and Patrice Hall of Wesson.

Missions directors are Wanda Wooten of Natchez and Barbara Bobbitt of Hazlehurst.

Markel Whittington of Harrisville and Pat Yeager will serve as enlistment directors. Music director, Clarence Lindsley, hails from Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Elected recreational director is Babbs Harris of Wesson. Jane Gray of Baker, Louisiana was chosen publicity director.

Faculty advisor is Tommy King and Dr. Eli Landrum is pastor advisor.

800 LANGUAGES

Bible Society Gives Away 100 Million Scriptures

NEW YORK—More than 100 million Scriptures, or enough to supply one copy for every 33 people in the world today, were sold at below cost or given away during 1967 by the 35 national Bible Societies comprising the United Bible Societies around the world.

The figures are from the American Bible Society's report of the Board of Managers released today at the ABS annual meeting held at the Hotel Pierre.

Printed in more than 800 languages and distributed in 115 countries, the total 102,698,708 copies of the Scripture distributed last year represents an increase of 9,421,181 over the corresponding 1966 figure. Illustrated Selections containing short Bible passages accounted for more than half the total, with 55.1 million "Bible reading starters," as they are often called, being circulated last year. In addition, 4.9 million whole Bibles, 13.1 million Testaments and 31.7 million Portions—complete books of the Bible—were distributed during 1967. The largest actual increase was in the United States where 43,941,553 copies of the

Scriptures, a jump of 4,959,933 over the 1966 figure, were distributed. This amounts to a copy of the Scriptures for 22 per cent of the population or one for every fifth person.

The American Bible Society's "Good News for Modern Man," the New Testament in Today's English Version, accounted for a large part of last year's increase, with 7,614,387 copies of the surprise bestseller distributed during 1967 in the United States alone. (Over 10 million copies have been distributed since its publication a little over a year and a half ago).

The largest Scripture distribution increase on a percentage basis was in Rhodesia where a rise of 225 per cent was noted. Other large gains included those in the small African country of Malawi with an increase of 149 per cent; Chile, up 135 per cent and East Africa, up 115 per cent.

Rising sales mean increased income for most publishers, but Bible Societies ring up higher deficits as sales soar because they sell below cost in many countries in order to provide the Scriptures at a price all can afford. Gifts from churches and individuals help make up the difference. Last year in the United States, 68 denominations contributed \$1,414,290 to the \$7,105,000 annual budget of the ABS, the largest member of the United Bible Societies.

With a per capita income in this country of \$2,940, this amounts to two cents or .00074

of the per capita income, the same percentage as that contributed to Bible Society work by Brazil, with a per capita income of only \$102.70.

Bible Societies are devoted solely to translating, publishing and distributing the Scriptures without any doctrinal note or comment. Following this purpose, by the end of 1967 at least one book of the Bible had been published in 1,326 languages and dialects. Of this figure, the whole Bible had been published in 242 languages; an entire Testament in 307 and at least a complete book of the Bible in 777 languages and dialects. The ABS with its UBS colleagues is currently involved with approximately 3,000 translators working on more than 800 translation or revision projects around the world.

Chatham Elected N. O. Student Body President

Douglas M. Chatham, a second-year Religious Education student, has been elected president of the Student Body Association of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary for the 1968-69 academic year. Chatham, who is presently editor of the Canon, NOBTS student newspaper, is a graduate of Mississippi College. He was associate pastor of Van Winkle Baptist Church, Jackson, and has served as pastor of Cary Baptist Church, Cary, and Glendale Baptist Church, Greenville.



Rev. Wendell Gilmore

Highland, Jackson, Calls New Pastor

Rev. Wendell Gilmore has resigned the pastorate of Westwood Church, Meridian, to accept a call to Highland Church, Jackson. He succeeds Rev. Keith Hart who resigned last December to return to his native state of Oklahoma. Rev. Gilmore, 37, was more graduated from Clarke College, William Carey College, and New Orleans Seminary.

He felt the call to preach when he was fifteen years old. During the time that he was in military service (1955-1957) he was licensed to preach at the First Southern Baptist Church, Santa Monica, California. He was ordained by the New Ireland Church, Union, in 1958.

His other pastorates included Johnson Creek Church near State Line, West Union Church near Carrier, and Westwood, Meridian.

While he was at Westwood (January, 1964, until April 10, 1968) there were 340 new members received; 124 by baptism. Membership grew from 257 to 470. Receipts increased from \$12,920 to \$29,556. Mission gifts increased over 300 per cent. A total of 320 new members were enrolled in Sunday school, with net gain from 204 to 455, an average of 2.3 new members per week. Training Union made a net gain from 125 to 208. Vacation Bible School received Standard recognition in 1964, '65, '66, and '67, and the Sunday school received Standard recognition in 1965, 1966, and 1967. Value of the church property increased from \$37,000 to \$130,000. A new educational unit was built in 1964, and the temporary sanctuary enlarged. Then in 1966 a new sanctuary was erected with a seating capacity of 500, equipped with Colonial furniture, and matching piano and organ. (This was the church's first organ, and for the first time its own baptistry.)

Mrs. Gilmore is the former Jerlene Rainer of Union. She and Mr. Gilmore have two children, Stanley Michael, six, and Sharon Renee, four. The family lives in the Highland pastorate at 145 Lynn Avenue, Jackson.

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IN RUSSIA**

PROTESTANT OPPOSITION TO SOVIET
RELIGIOUS POLICY

by Michael Bordeaux

This crucial survey, of vital importance to everyone interested in religious and Soviet affairs, has implications wider than the particular branch of the church—the Baptists—chosen for study. The author reconstructs events of the last seven years to support his contention that the religious revival is a movement of the highest significance, well organized, and involving numbers greatly in excess of Soviet propaganda claims. Citing documents, he gives the frightening details of the brutal treatment of church members. — \$8.95

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Dr. Lee Speaks At Blue Mountain

During the recent spring revival services of First Church, Ripley, Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis, for 32 years pastor of Bellevue Church, now retired, was invited to deliver two assembly messages at Blue Mountain College. Dr. Lee's only daughter, Bula G. Lee King, is a 1938 graduate of the college. Shown with Dr. Lee are, front left, Miss Sandra Starmer of Rome, Italy, daughter of Baptist missionaries to Rome, and Dr. James L. Travis, Chairman of the Division of Christian Education at Blue Mountain, right. Back row, left to right: Rev. Robert Martin, pastor of First Church, Ripley; Miss Martha Philpot of Camden, Alabama, President of BSU for 1967-68; and Rev. Bill R. Peacock, pastor of Lowrey Memorial Church, and music director for the Ripley revival.

DEVOTIONAL

The Spirit Of Service

Jonah 1:2

By Hardy R. Denham, Jr., Pastor, First, Newton

God said to Jonah, "Arise, go to Nineveh." This is more than just a call to service. It is indicative of how that service was to be rendered. God wants Jonah to go to Nineveh as His



spokesman, and He wants him to go in a spirit of excitement and enthusiasm. In the Hebrew text the verb "arise" followed by the verb "go" not only indicates what is to be done, but also how it is to be done. It is to be done eagerly, enthusiastically.

Talking with one of our furloughing missionaries recently about his mission field, I began to detect a note of excitement in his voice. It was apparent that he was talking about a work he delighted in and that he was eagerly looking forward to the time when he would be back in his place of service. This is the way God wanted it to be with Jonah, and the way it should be with us.

With what spirit do you serve the Lord? As Baptist people, we frequently make a great deal of what we do. In an effort to make it known that we are busy in the Lord's vineyard, we often enumerate the various and diverse activities we engage in for Him. I would not for a moment minimize the importance of such religious activities. After all, faith is to be expressed and it is to be shared. This is how we do it. As James said, "Faith without works is dead" (James 2:26). But, with what spirit do we do the work of faith? With what spirit do we serve and labor for the Lord?

I firmly believe that the value and benefit of our labors and sacrifices are often minimized and diminished because we do the right things in the wrong spirit. No one would doubt for a second that the elder brother of the prodigal son (Luke 15) did what was required of him as a son, but look at the spirit of his life. Like him, we too are often guilty of doing the work of the Lord in a spirit far less than the spirit of the Lord.

Take, for example, the activity of worship. The Psalmist said, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord" (Psalm 122:1). How glad are we? The facial expressions of some in the house of the Lord indicate that for them it is more of a chore than a cheer; more of an endurance test than an exuberating time. The modern version of the Doxology would fit many: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow, the sermon is over and now we can go." Value should come from attendance at worship services, but it doesn't because of the spirit of the would-be worshiper. This could also be applied to a multiplicity of other religious activities and works. One is certainly doing the right thing but with the wrong spirit.

God is interested in us doing the right things. However, there is something more important than doing the right things and that's to do them in the right spirit. As was true with Jonah, God calls us to service and He expects obedience. And, as Jonah's call shows, God expects us to be excited and eager about His call, and serve Him enthusiastically.

Memorial Service At Roundaway

Sunday, May 19, the congregation of Roundaway Church (Sunflower Association) will observe Memorial Day service. The highlight will be the memorial message will be delivered by Rev. W. C. Sledge, a former pastor,

at the 11 o'clock hour.

Following the worship hour, the church will be host for a dinner in honor of all those who attend this annual occasion. All friends and former members are invited. There will be singing in the afternoon for those who enjoy praising the Lord in song. Rev. Frank Bishop is pastor.

Churches In The News

Bowlin Church in Attala County will hold Homecoming Day on Sunday, June 9. Members, their families, and friends are invited. Lunch will be served on the church grounds at noon, following the 11 a.m. worship service. Rev. Jesse McMillan is the pastor.

Concord Church, Franklin County, will observe Homecoming Day on Sunday, May 26. The schedule calls for Sunday school at 9:30, with the preaching hour to follow, then dinner at the church, and afternoon services beginning at 1.

The Franklin Creek Mission Chapel, Jackson County, opened on April 14 with a full house. This is a work begun by J. C. Morris and Rev. Raines of Mobile, along with some other men from the Central Baptist Church in that city. These men asked the Jackson County Baptist Association to sponsor this work and the Executive Committee so voted and then instructed the Missions Committee to proceed in getting the work underway. The Missions Committee requested the Kreole Avenue Church to assume the sponsorship of this new work. The chapel is now being so supervised. Brother Raines of Mobile is acting as pastor at the present time. The chapel is located on old highway 90 near the Interstate Ten (West).

County Line Church, Crystal Springs, will observe homecoming and Cemetery Day on Sunday, May 26. Rev. Howard McLemore, pastor, will speak at the morning service at 11:00. Lunch will be served in the basement, followed by a period of fellowship. Evening services will be held as usual. A special offering will be taken for the maintenance of the cemetery at the close of the morning service. All former pastors, members, friends and those interested in the upkeep of the cemetery are especially invited to attend.



WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE presented the newly elected Baptist Student Union officers to the student body during chapel services recently. From left to right seated are: Mary Lynn Stamper, pianist; Sue Bond, secretary-treasurer; Delores Pfaffendorf, reporter; Hazel Snell, BSU choir director; Mary Hayes, social chairman; and Betty Perry, vice president. From left to right standing are: Ricky Munn, chorister; Gary McInnis, publicity chairman; Ronnie Melton, devotional chairman; Val Robinson, street service representative; E. J. Tynes, convalescent home representative; Alan Woodward, MA president; and Tim Thomas, BSU president.

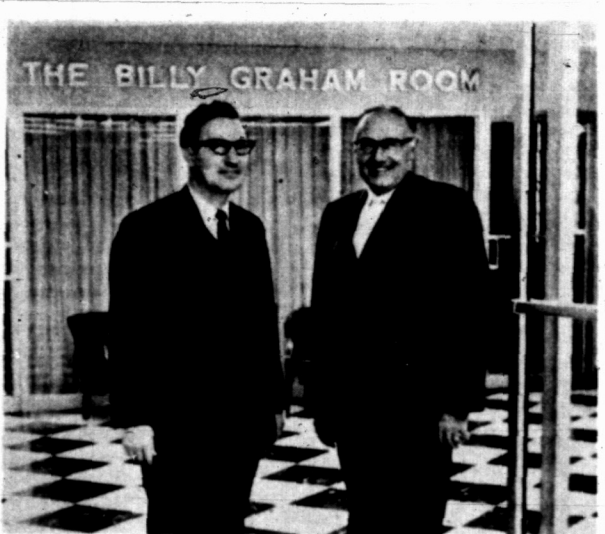


Rev. Charles Dampier

CALLED TO BROOKHAVEN

Charles Dampier, pastor of First Church, Leakesville, for the past three years, has accepted the call to Easthaven Church, Brookhaven.

During his ministry in Leakesville there were over 100 additions and budget gifts increased \$11,000. A \$27,000 pastorage was also constructed. A. L. Shephard, Chairman of Deacons at Leakesville, presented the Dampiers with a silver tray in behalf of the church body and expressed appreciation for the Dampiers' leadership.



LOUISVILLE, KY.—Walter Smyth, right, director of crusades for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, recently visited the Billy Graham Room in the James P. Boyce Centennial Library on the campus of Southern Seminary here. Smyth presented to the library the official records of recent Billy Graham Crusades. These records will be added to the archives of materials being gathered at Southern Seminary, which has been designated the official depository for all such material. Accepting the records in behalf of the seminary was Kenneth L. Chafin, Billy Graham associate professor of evangelism. A \$500,000 endowment drive is currently in progress at the seminary for the new evangelism chair. In addition to supporting a research center for the study of evangelism, funds from the campaign will support experimental methods for evangelism.



RELIGIOUS LEADERS—Leading out in the religious life of Mississippi College students for the school year 1968-69 will be this group of collegians. Front row, left to right, are Bill Simms, Canton, president of the Baptist Student Union; Lon Oswalt, Hammond, La., on-campus ministry; Nancy Harris, Moss Point, personal growth; Nancy Walden, Pompano Beach, Fla., education; and Patricia Dunaway, Hollandale, enlistment and involvement. Second row, from the left, Kenny Morion, Amory, off-campus ministry; John Lockhart, Jackson, worship; Steve Cloud, Belle Glade, Fla., recreation; Ellen McNutt, Coldwater, communications; and Rev. Bradley Pope, director of religious activities. These elected students will form the steering committee for campus religious activities and will appoint others to work with them on the executive committee.—(MC PHOTO)



Dr. Benjamin Dunford

PROF READS FINAL PROOFS ON "GIDEON"

William Carey College music professor, Dr. Benjamin Dunford, stops in his preparation of a new musical composition to pose for the camera. Dr. Dunford has just received the final proofs of his latest work to be published which is "Gideon," an exciting musical account of the Biblical story.

Written primarily to appeal to young people, "Gideon" uses solos, choral sections, guitar, bass, and drums. The rhythm is contemporary and is done in popular flavor.



GRADY L. NUTT, director of alumni affairs and assistant to the president, Southern Seminary, Louisville, will be pastor of the first Southern Baptist Youth Music Workshop, to be held June 20-26 at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, (N.C.). Deadline for application to the workshop, sponsored by the church music department of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, W. Hines Sims, secretary, has been extended to May 15.



Rev. David Turner

Chalybeate Calls New Pastor

Chalybeate Church of Chalybeate has called Rev. David Turner as pastor.

Mr. Turner moved to Chalybeate from Red Banks Church of Red Banks, where he served as interim pastor.

Turner graduated from Pontotoc High School and spent his first year of college attending Mississippi College. He next moved to Illinois where he served several churches while he attended Southern Illinois University.

He is now attending Blue Mountain College where he is a junior. He is married to the former Beverly Heberer of Fairview Heights, Illinois. They have one son, Michael Kevin, age 15 months.

The church honored the Turners by having a pounding when they moved into the pastorage.



ROBERT C. LANG was recently licensed to the gospel ministry, by the Grandview Church, Meridian. Rev. John Campbell, pastor, presented him the license. Mr. Lang is available for pulpits supply, and may be contacted through John Campbell, 621-53rd Avenue, Meridian (phone 483-6087.)



Robbie Tischer

Southside Calls Youth Worker

Southside Church, Meridian, Rev. Robert L. Sheffield, pastor, will have Robbie Tischer of Starkville as its summer youth worker.

Mr. Tischer is a senior student in Electrical Engineering at Mississippi State University.

His many activities include serving as President of the Baptist Student Union at Mississippi State and just past President for a second term of the Baptist Student Union organization for the State of Mississippi. He also has served one term as a student summer missionary.

Mr. Tischer will begin his work with the church after the first of June.



Rev. C. T. Myers, Jr.

Parkhill Church Ordains Minister

Parkhill Church, Jackson, ordained C. T. Myers, Jr. to the gospel ministry, on Sunday, April 21. Mr. Myers, a Clarke College student, has accepted a call as pastor of Good Hope Church, Leake County, and has moved on the field.

Rev. J. N. Gipson, Parkhill pastor, delivered the ordination sermon. Others on the ordination program included Rev. Ben Cooley, who presented special music; Rev. R. Newman, Raymond Road Church pastor, who gave the charge to the preacher; and Rev. Ned Barrett, former associate pastor at Parkhill, who delivered the charge to the church.

Revival Dates

Highland, Jackson: May 12-17; Rev. Wendell Gilmore, pastor, evangelist; Clayton Pope, minister of music, singer; Sunday services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekday services at 7:30 p.m.; (Thursday night, May 16, will be "Youth Night.")

Northeast, Meridian: May 19-24; Rev. John Brock (pictured), evangelist, & Don Moore, song leader, both of Oakland Heights Church, Meridian; Elaine Brown, pianist; Calvin Permenter, Organist; Rev. Leonard Holloway, pastor.

Emmanuel, Ocean Springs: May 19-24; Rev. Herman Moore of Woolmarket, evangelist; Charles Wilson, song leader; Mrs. O. R. Spiers, organist; Mrs. S. B. Hill, pianist; Rev. Bertus West, pastor; Sunday, May 26, will be Homecoming Day, with dinner on the grounds after the morning service.



Rev. Howard Huey will conclude his service as interim pastor of the Looxahoma Church, Tate County, June the first. He will be available for similar work after this date, or for pulpits supply. For information call Holly Springs 252-3338 or write: 114 Johnson Park, Holly Springs. Additional information may be obtained from: Rev. Erwin Brown, Hernando, or Rev. Arthur Leslie, Oxford.



Edwin Sudduth

Sudduth Joins Evangelism Association

The James D. Watson Church Evangelism Association, headquartered at Indianola, has added to its staff of evangelists, Edwin Sudduth. Mr. Sudduth assumed his responsibilities as instrumental evangelist on April 15th.

Mr. Sudduth joins the Association after completing four and one-half years of service as church organist at First Church, Gulfport. Formerly, he served in the same position with First, Kosciusko.

During his ministry at Gulfport, Mr. Sudduth presented a daily radio program over station WROA-FM, entitled "Moments of Meditation in Music."

A native of Durant, he obtained a BA degree from Mississippi College. He attended New Orleans Seminary.

In 1966, he participated in the Great Lakes Evangelistic Crusade in Chicago. Each year since 1966 he has served as pianist for the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference at Gulfshore Assembly.

Mr. Sudduth resides in Indianola, the location of all the team members, and is a member of First Church of will perform on both the piano and organ. This will include that city.



RONNIE HERRINGTON recently surrendered to full-time Christian service as a minister of music. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Herrington and is a senior at Province High School in Jackson. He is a member of the Temple Church, Jackson. Rev. Howard Scarborough, pastor.



NASHVILLE—Leaders for the Ridgecrest 1968 Assembly 1968 student conference to be held June 8-12 include top row, Peter McLeod, associate pastor of Second Ponce de Leon Church, Atlanta, who will be the Bible teacher each morning except Sunday; Second row, from left to right are, Bill Pinson, associate professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Seminary, a noonday assembly speaker; Milburn Price, assistant professor of music, Furman University, Greenville, S. C., who will lead the music; and William Lancaster, pastor, First Church, Decatur, Ga., the evening speaker. Third row, from left to right are Paul F. Gerren, president of Stetson University, De Land, Fla., and Henlee H. Barnett, professor of Christian ethics at Southern Seminary, both noonday assembly speakers; and Bill Sherman, pastor, Woodmont Church, Nashville, the Sunday morning and evening speaker.—BSSB PHOTO.